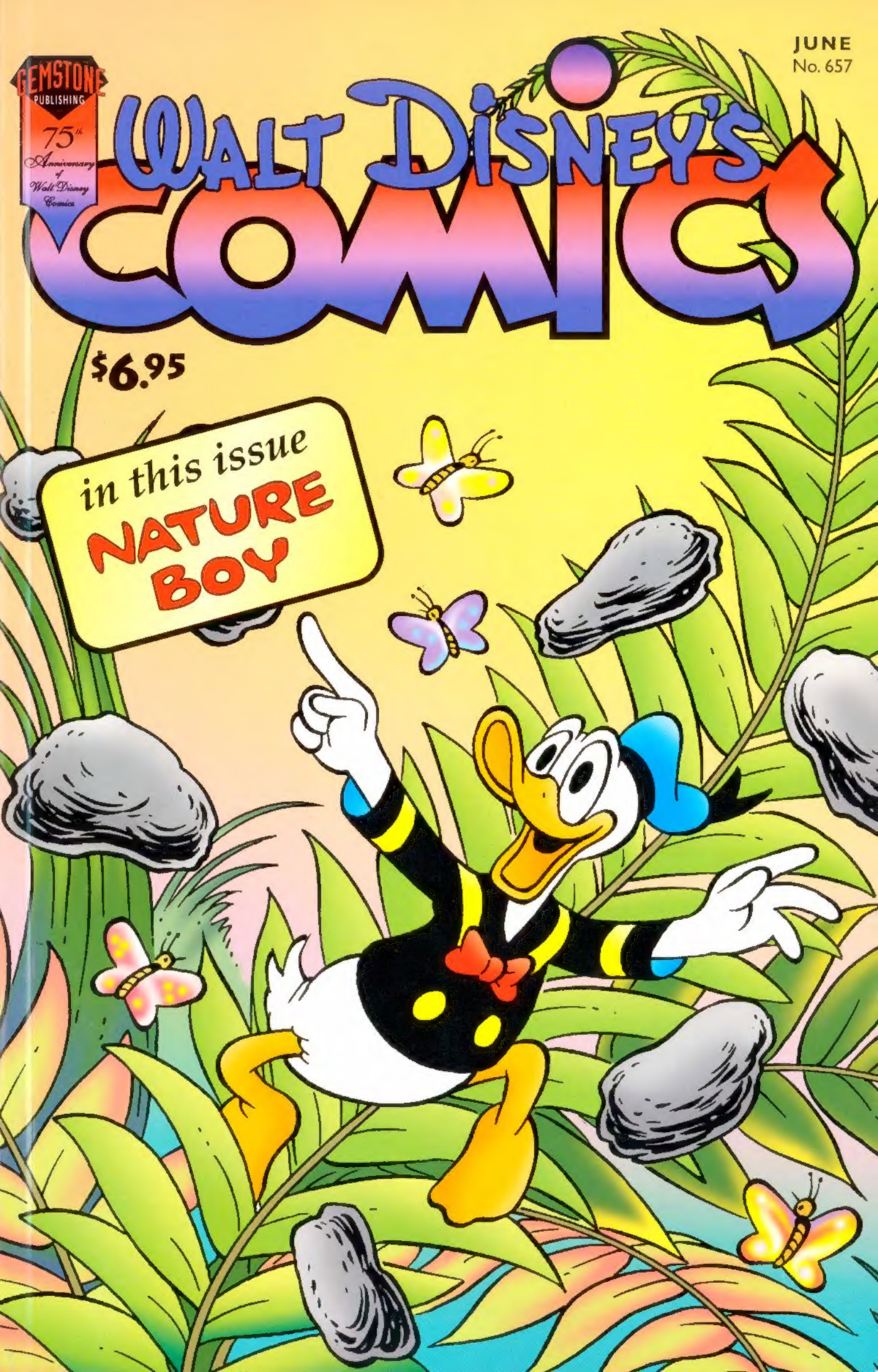
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This issue of *Walt Disney's Comics and Stories* contains the first two parts of the "Mythos Island" feature, a 10-part epic which features the cast and crew of both the Mouse and the Duck universes. We'll be running two chapters in each issue for the next four months. Writers Pat and Carol McGreal and Per Hedman, artist César Ferioli, and Egmont editor Unn Printz Påhlson have outdone themselves by researching known and obscure mythologies to bring us this great tale, which I hope you enjoy as much as I did. Pat and Carol promise an article—in an upcoming issue—that will delve into the background of the series and offer creative insights.

As you can see, our *WDC&S* standby, William Van Horn, is also in residence with both a new story and a cover to go with it; and the writing team of Pat and Shelly Block is also back. Add to those a vintage Paul Murry Li'l Bad Wolf and a new Goofy story by one of our favorite writers, Sarah Kinney, and we have yet another issue that, for my money, is great entertainment.

— John Clark

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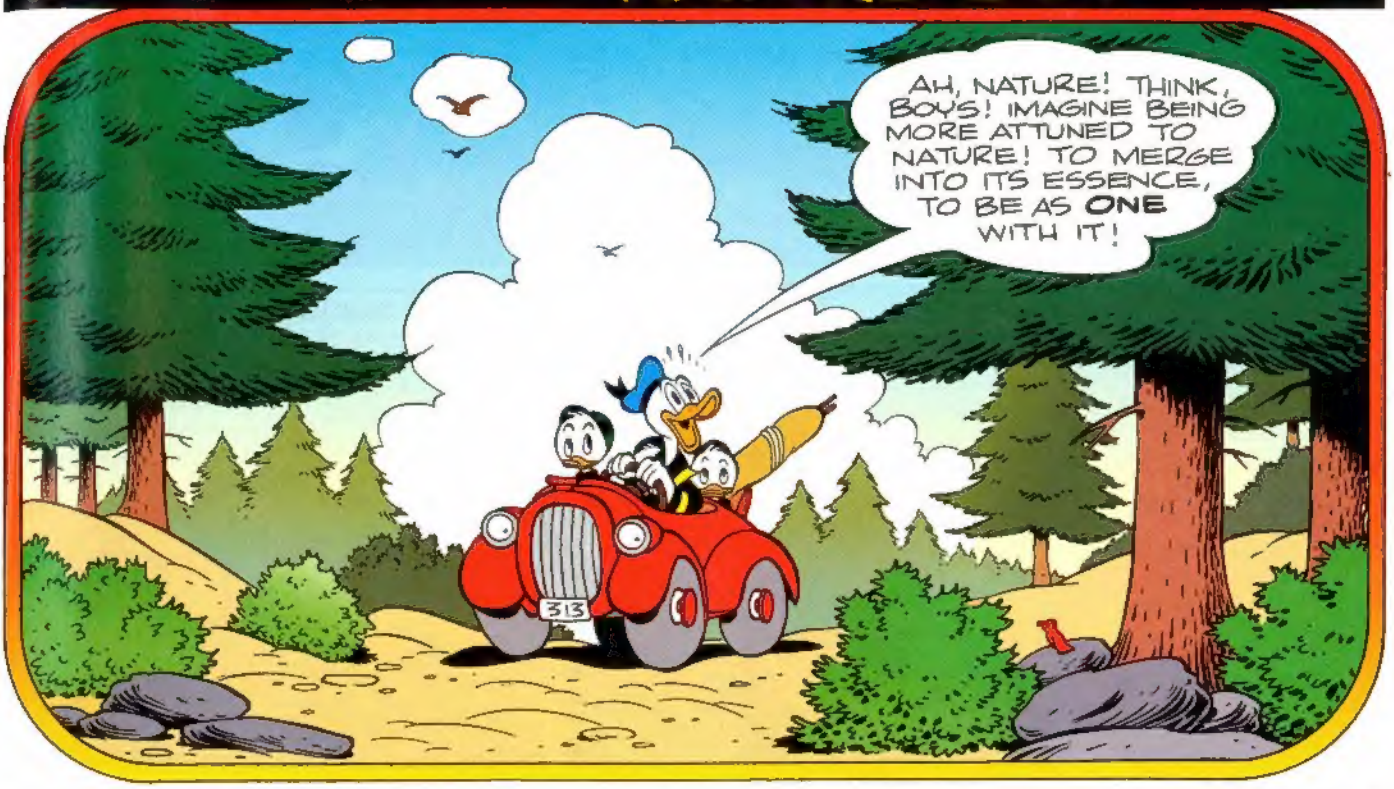
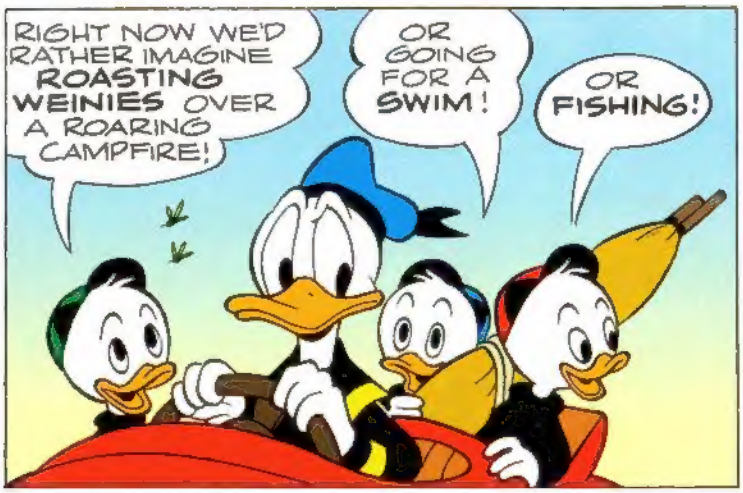
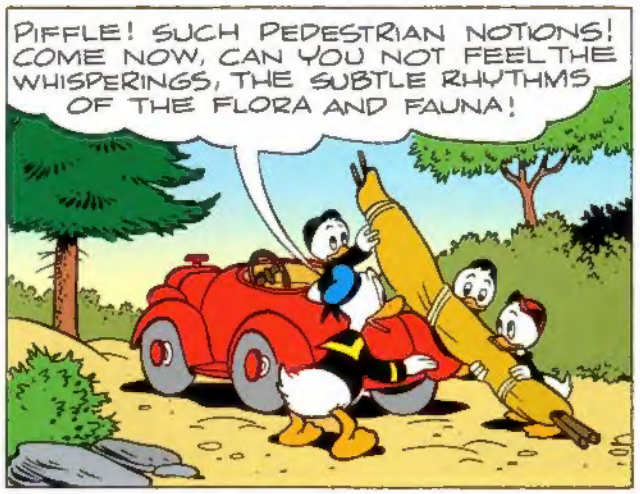
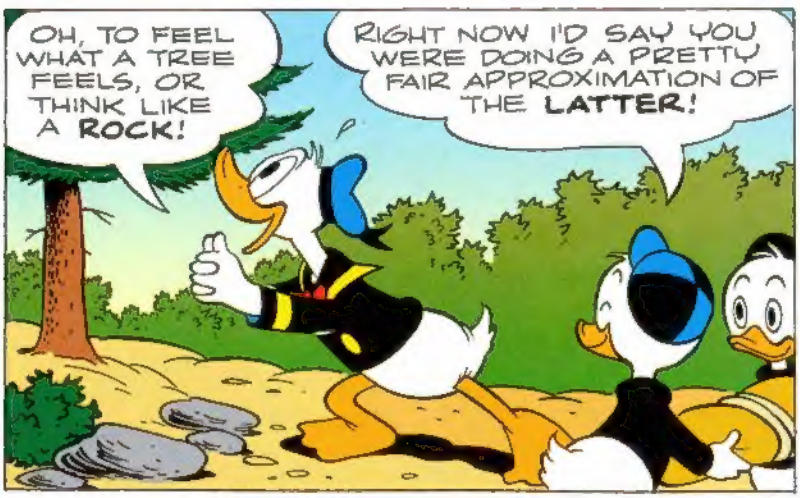
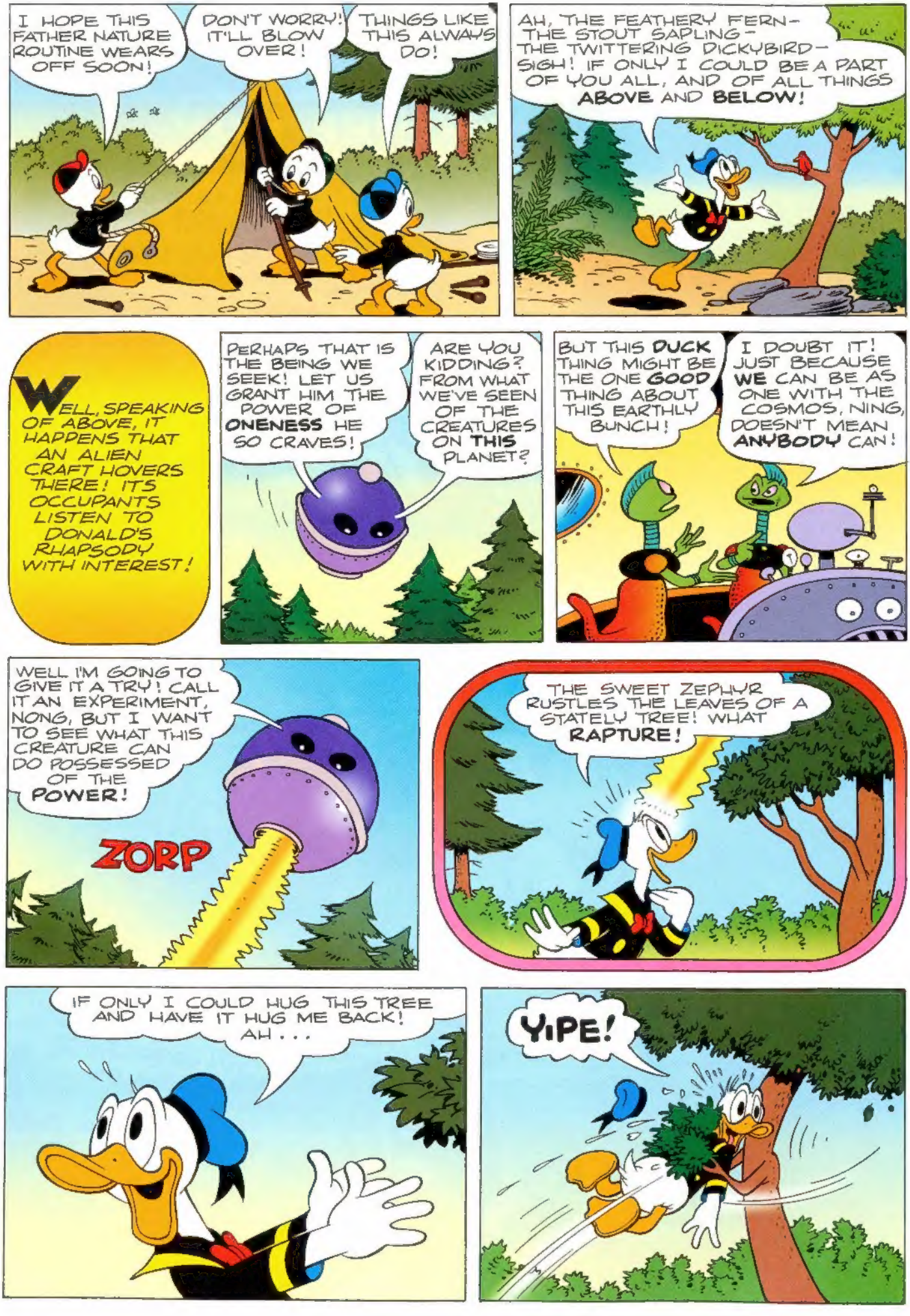
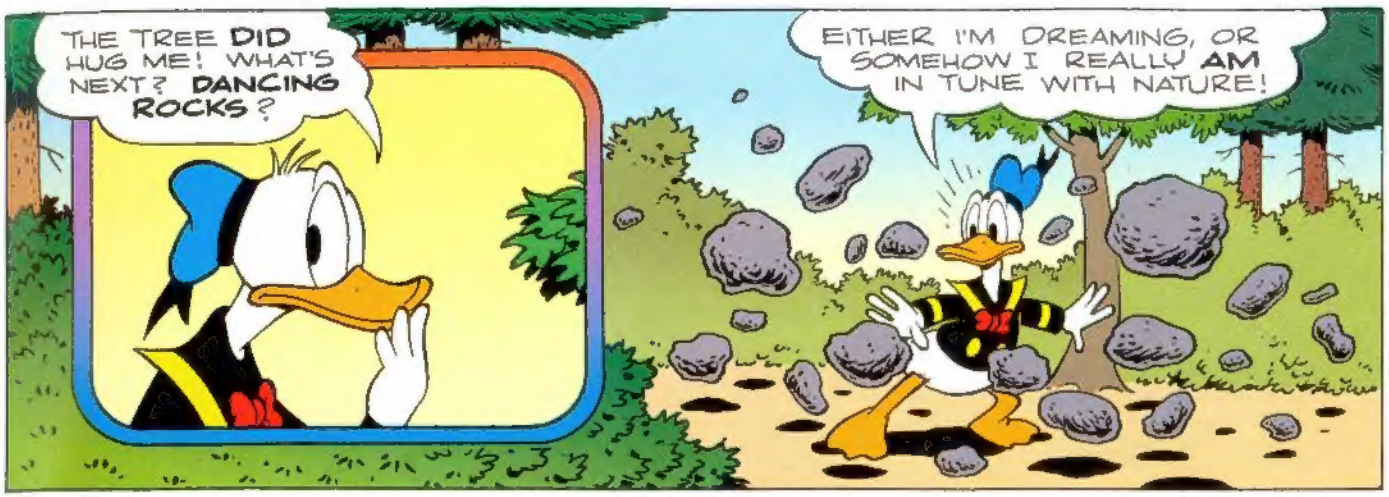


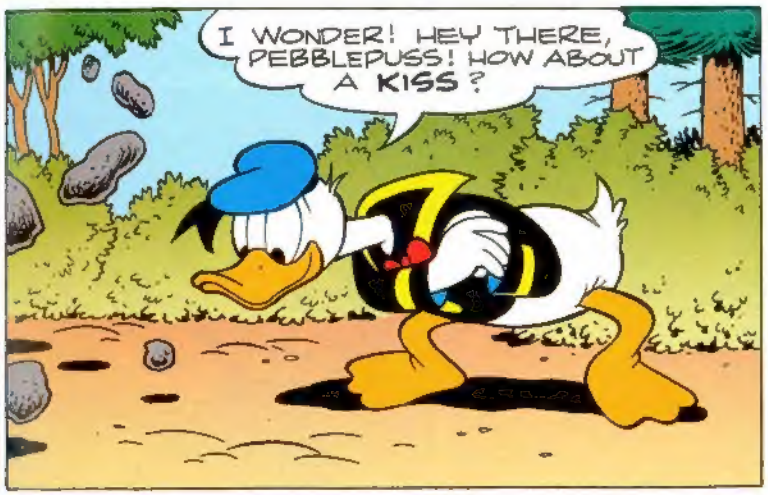




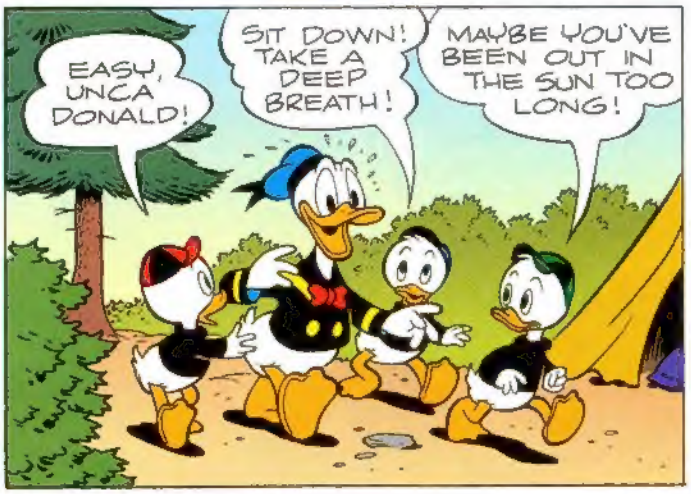



I HOPE THIS FATHER NATURE ROUTINE WEARS OFF SOON!
DON'T WORRY! IT'LL BLOW OVER!
THINGS LIKE THIS ALWAYS DO!
AH, THE FEATHERY FERN– THE STOUT SAPLING– THE TWITTERING DICKYBIRD– SIGH! IF ONLY I COULD BE A PART OF YOU ALL, AND OF ALL THINGS ABOVE AND BELOW!
WELL, SPEAKING OF ABOVE, IT HAPPENS THAT AN ALIEN CRAFT HOVERS THERE! ITS OCCUPANTS LISTEN TO DONALD'S RHAPSODY WITH INTEREST!
PERHAPS THAT IS THE BEING WE SEEK! LET US GRANT HIM THE POWER OF ONENESS HE SO CRAVES!
ARE YOU KIDDING? FROM WHAT WE'VE SEEN OF THE CREATURES ON THIS PLANET?
BUT THIS DUCK THING MIGHT BE THE ONE GOOD THING ABOUT THIS EARTHLY BUNCH!
I DOUBT IT! JUST BECAUSE WE CAN BE AS ONE WITH THE COSMOS, NING, DOESN'T MEAN ANYBODY CAN!
WELL I'M GOING TO GIVE IT A TRY! CALL IT AN EXPERIMENT, NONG, BUT I WANT TO SEE WHAT THIS CREATURE CAN DO POSSESSED OF THE POWER!
ZORP
THE SWEET ZEPHYR RUSTLES THE LEAVES OF A STATELY TREE! WHAT RAPTURE!
IF ONLY I COULD HUG THIS TREE AND HAVE IT HUG ME BACK! AH . . .
YIPE!

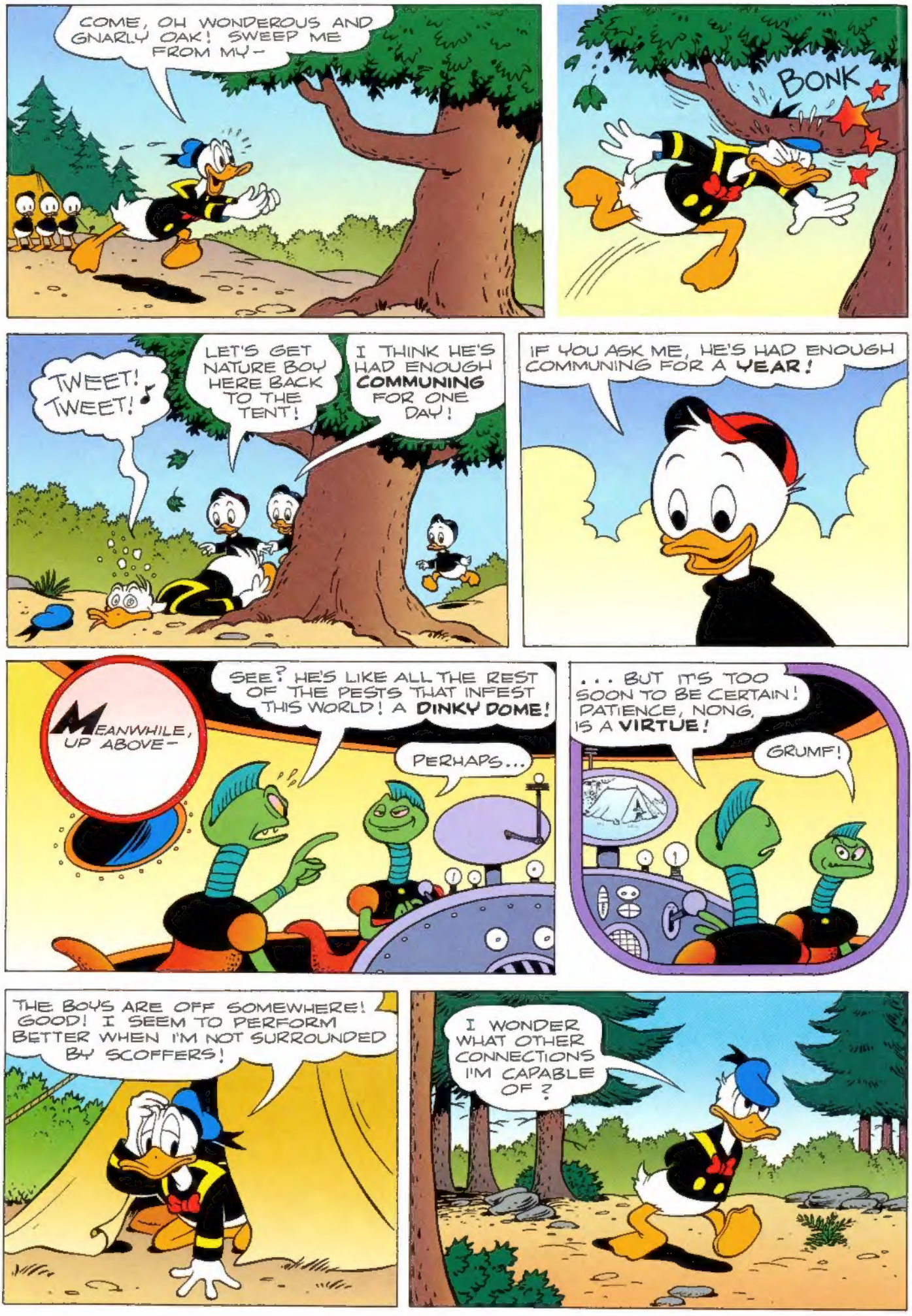


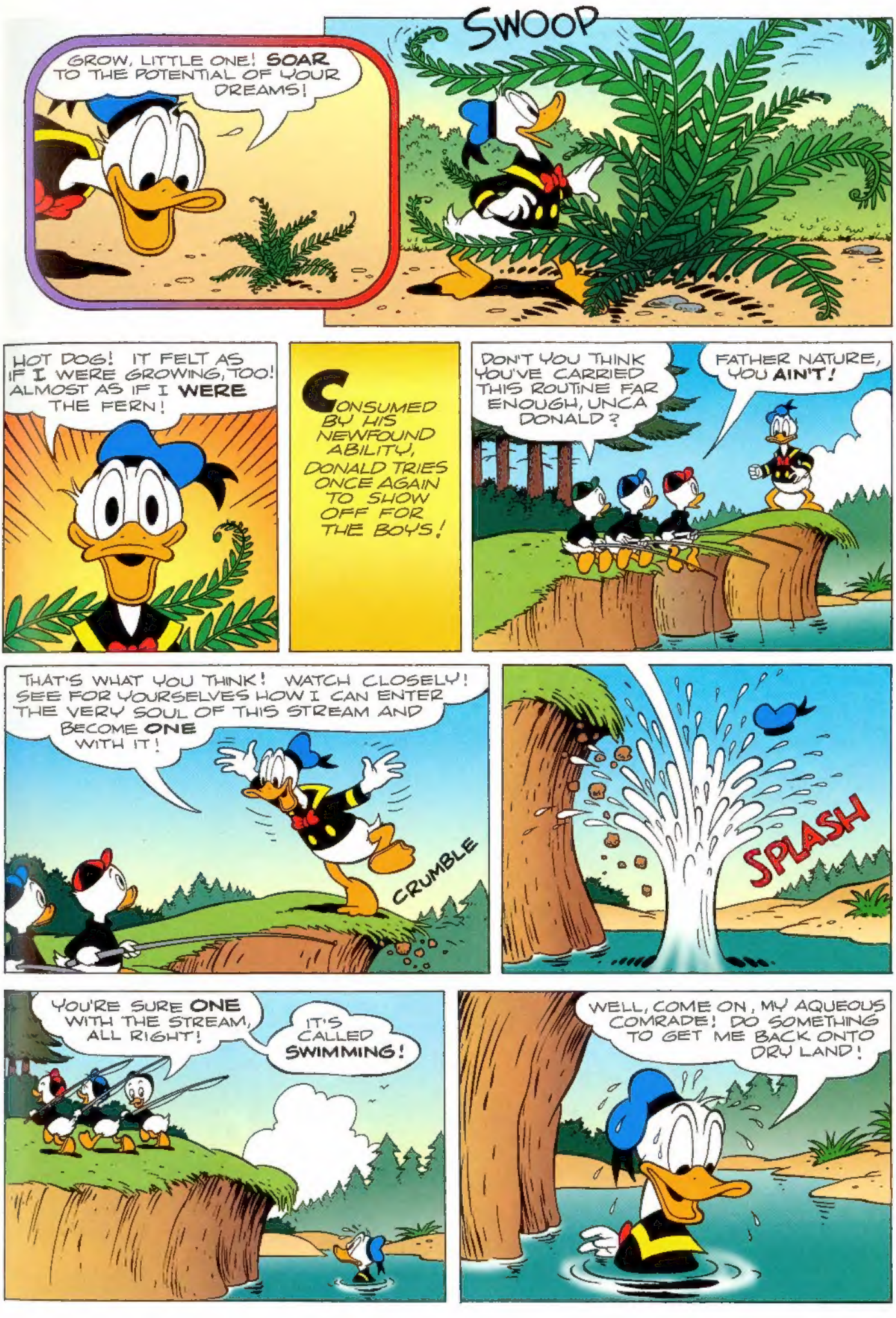


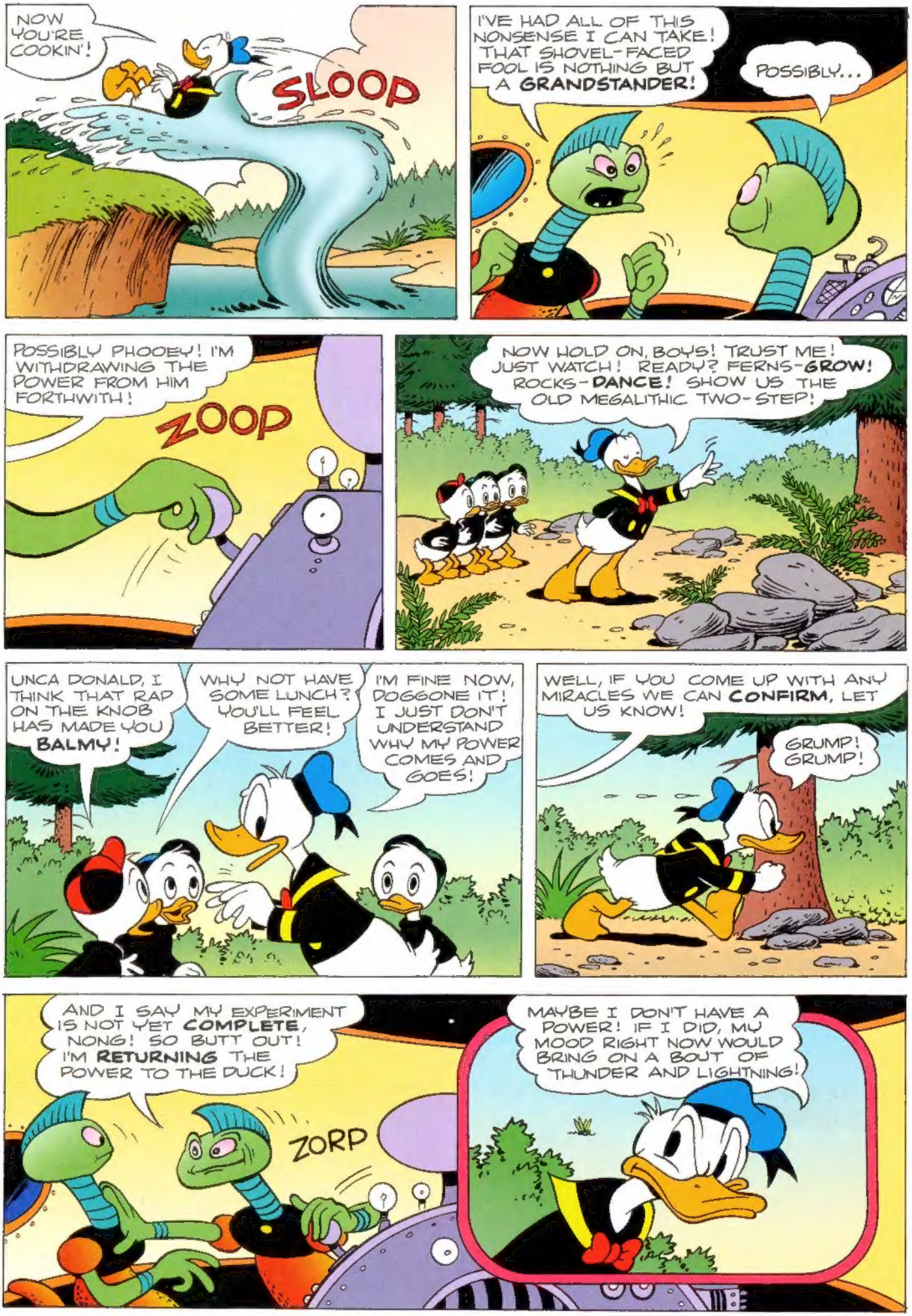
DONALD BABBLES OUT A BARELY COHERENT ACCOUNT OF WHAT HAS HAPPENED TO HIM!

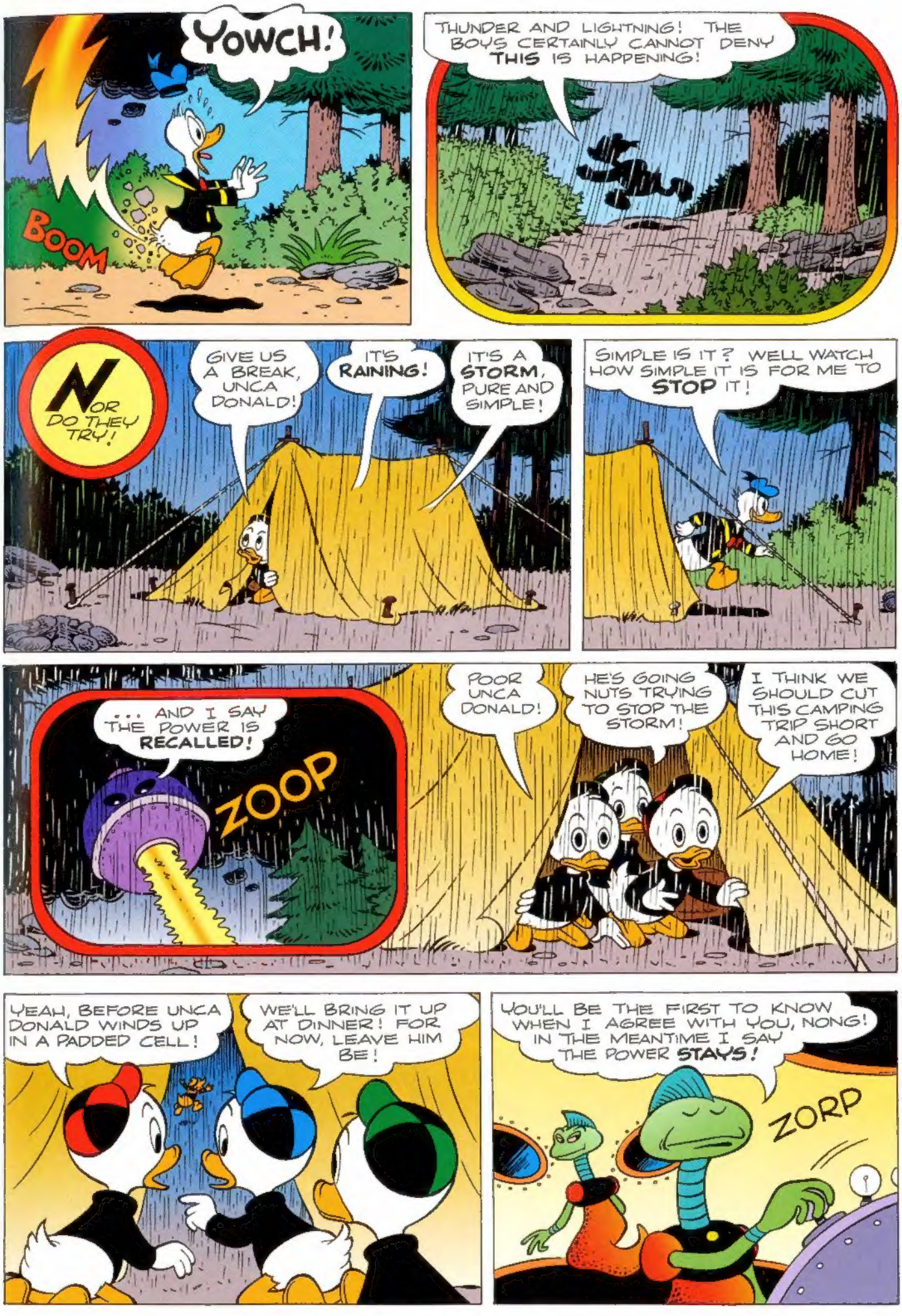


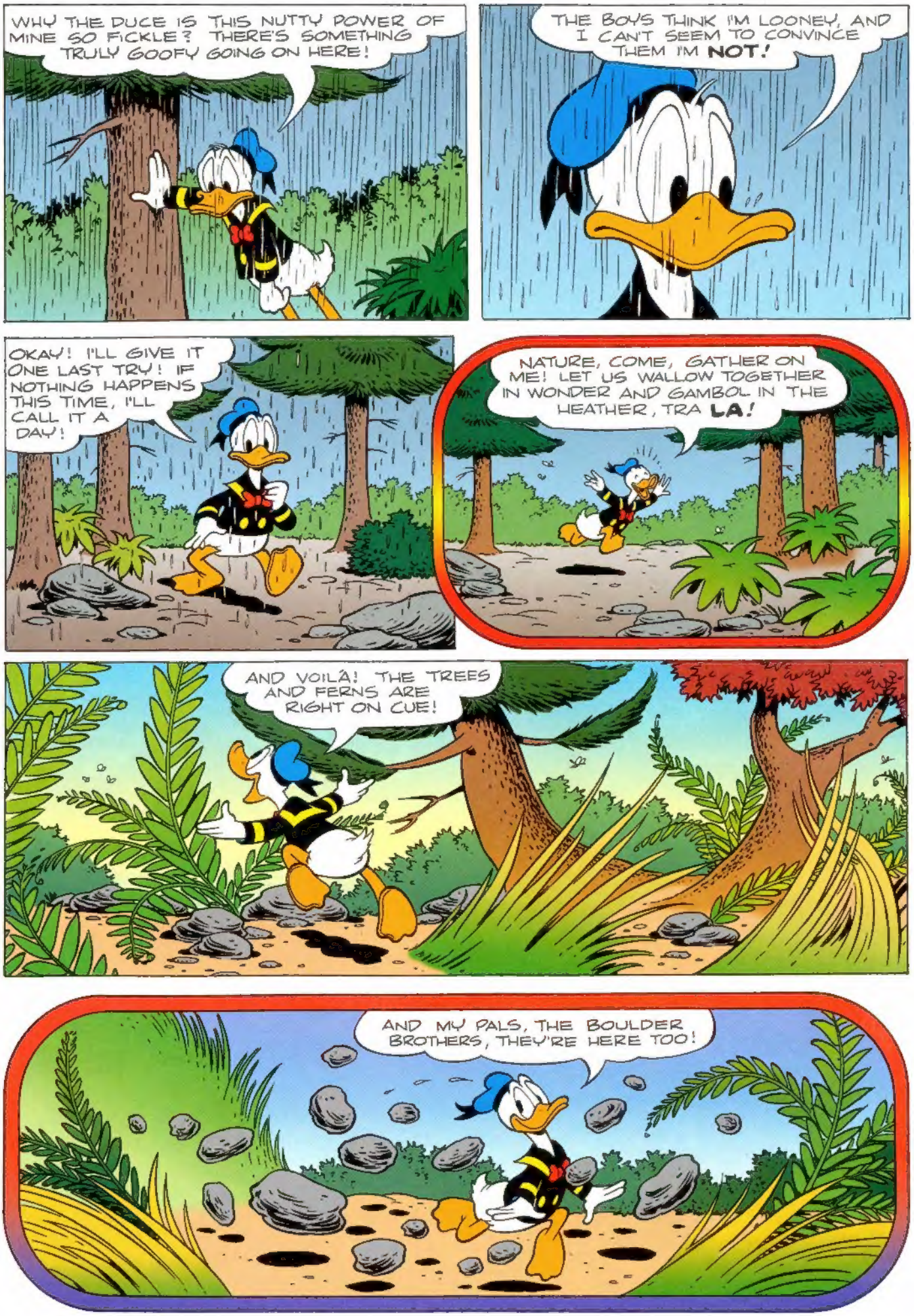
OKAY, SMART GUYS! I'LL PROVE IT! I'LL RUN, JUMP AND EMBRACE YON TREE! IN RETURN, IT'LL GATHER ME INTO ITS BRANCHES AND CARESS MY NOBLE BROW!

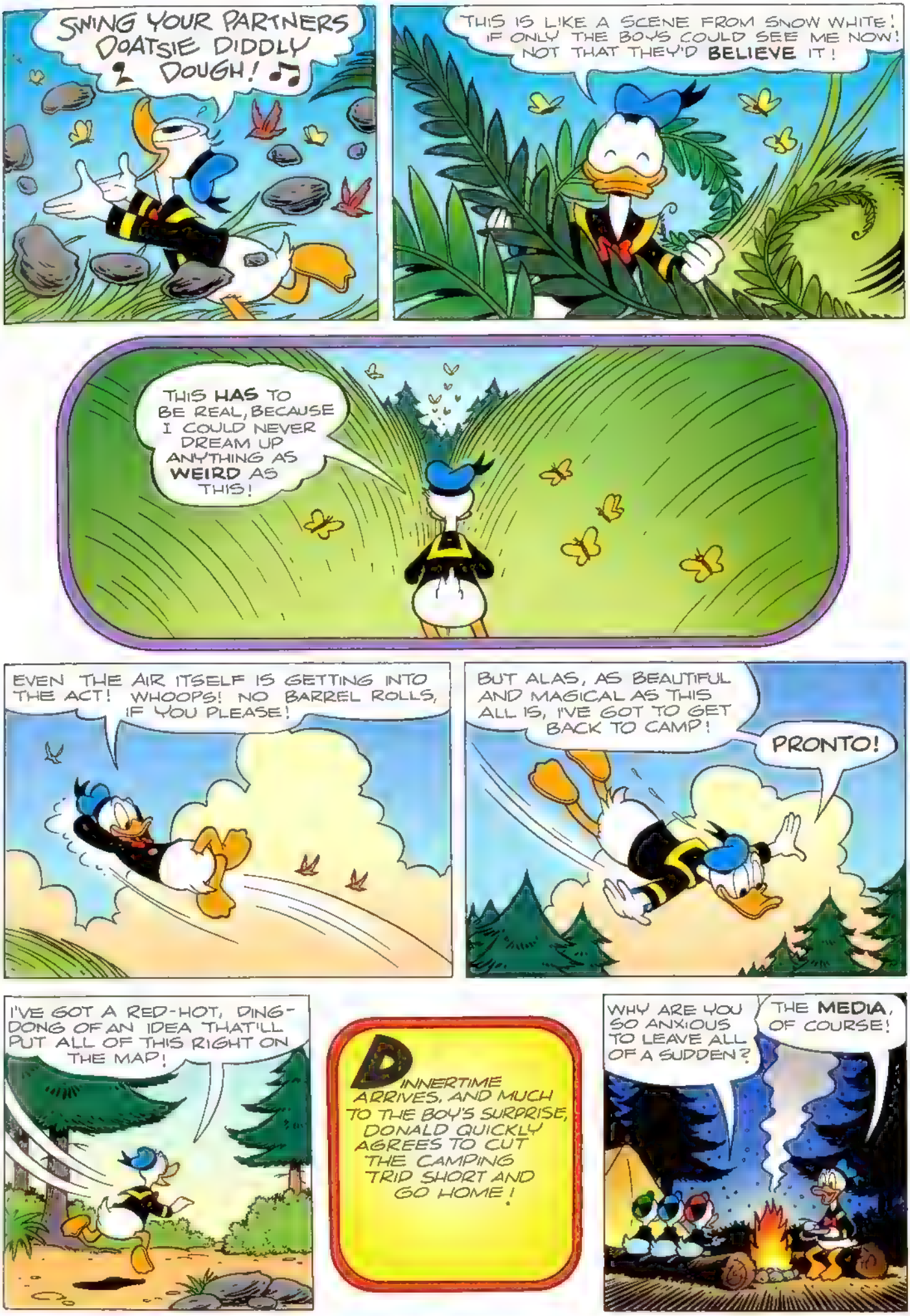

COME, OH WONDEROUS AND GNARLY OAK! SWEEP ME FROM MY-
BONK
TWEET! TWEET!
LET'S GET NATURE BOY HERE BACK TO THE TENT!
I THINK HE'S HAD ENOUGH COMMUNING FOR ONE DAY!
IF YOU ASK ME, HE'S HAD ENOUGH COMMUNING FOR A YEAR!
MEANWHILE, UP ABOVE-
SEE? HE'S LIKE ALL THE REST OF THE PESTS THAT INFEST THIS WORLD! A DINKY DOME!
PERHAPS...
... BUT IT'S TOO SOON TO BE CERTAIN! PATIENCE, NONG, IS A VIRTUE!
GRUMF!
THE BOYS ARE OFF SOMEWHERE! GOOD! I SEEM TO PERFORM BETTER WHEN I'M NOT SURROUNDED BY SCOFFERS!
I WONDER WHAT OTHER CONNECTIONS I'M CAPABLE OF?


GROW, LITTLE ONE! SOAR TO THE POTENTIAL OF YOUR DREAMS!
SWOOP
HOT DOG! IT FELT AS IF I WERE GROWING, TOO! ALMOST AS IF I WERE THE FERN!
CONSUMED BY HIS NEWFOUND ABILITY, DONALD TRIES ONCE AGAIN TO SHOW OFF FOR THE BOYS!
DON'T YOU THINK YOU'VE CARRIED THIS ROUTINE FAR ENOUGH, UNCA DONALD?
FATHER NATURE, YOU AIN'T!
THAT'S WHAT YOU THINK! WATCH CLOSELY! SEE FOR YOURSELVES HOW I CAN ENTER THE VERY SOUL OF THIS STREAM AND BECOME ONE WITH IT!
CRUMBLE
SPLASH
YOU'RE SURE ONE WITH THE STREAM, ALL RIGHT!
IT'S CALLED SWIMMING!
WELL, COME ON, MY AQUEOUS COMRADE! DO SOMETHING TO GET ME BACK ONTO DRY LAND!


NOW YOU'RE COOKIN'!
SLOOP
I'VE HAD ALL OF THIS NONSENSE I CAN TAKE! THAT SHOVEL-FACED FOOL IS NOTHING BUT A GRANDSTANDER!
POSSIBLY...
POSSIBLY PHOOEY! I'M WITHDRAWING THE POWER FROM HIM FORTHWITH!
ZOOP
NOW HOLD ON, BOYS! TRUST ME! JUST WATCH! READY? FERNS-GROW! ROCKS-DANCE! SHOW US THE OLD MEGALITHIC TWO-STEP!
UNCA DONALD, I THINK THAT RAP ON THE KNOB HAS MADE YOU BALMY!
WHY NOT HAVE SOME LUNCH? YOU'LL FEEL BETTER!
I'M FINE NOW, DOGGONE IT! I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY MY POWER COMES AND GOES!
WELL, IF YOU COME UP WITH ANY MIRACLES WE CAN CONFIRM, LET US KNOW!
GRUMP! GRUMP!
AND I SAY MY EXPERIMENT IS NOT YET COMPLETE, NONG! SO BUTT OUT! I'M RETURNING THE POWER TO THE DUCK!
ZORP
MAYBE I DON'T HAVE A POWER! IF I DID, MY MOOD RIGHT NOW WOULD BRING ON A BOUT OF THUNDER AND LIGHTNING!

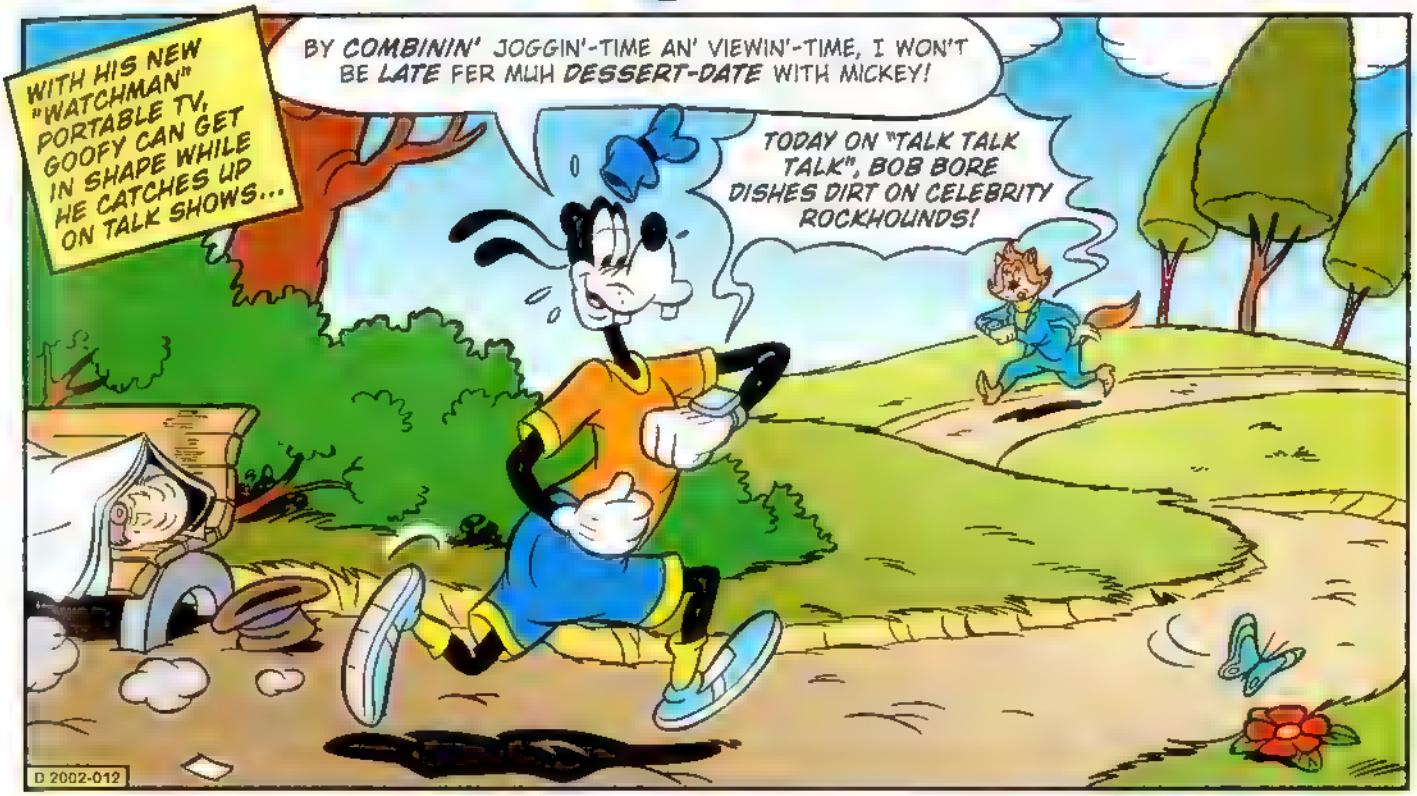

YOWCH!
BOOM
THUNDER AND LIGHTNING! THE BOYS CERTAINLY CANNOT DENY THIS IS HAPPENING!
NOR DO THEY TRY!
GIVE US A BREAK, UNCA DONALD!
IT'S RAINING!
IT'S A STORM, PURE AND SIMPLE!
SIMPLE IS IT? WELL WATCH HOW SIMPLE IT IS FOR ME TO STOP IT!
... AND I SAY THE POWER IS RECALLED!
ZOOP
POOR UNCA DONALD!
HE'S GOING NUTS TRYING TO STOP THE STORM!
I THINK WE SHOULD CUT THIS CAMPING TRIP SHORT AND GO HOME!
YEAH, BEFORE UNCA DONALD WINDS UP IN A PADDED CELL!
WE'LL BRING IT UP AT DINNER! FOR NOW, LEAVE HIM BE!
YOU'LL BE THE FIRST TO KNOW WHEN I AGREE WITH YOU, NONG! IN THE MEANTIME I SAY THE POWER STAYS!
ZORP


WHY THE DUCE IS THIS NUTTY POWER OF MINE SO FICKLE? THERE'S SOMETHING TRULY GOOFY GOING ON HERE!
THE BOYS THINK I'M LOONEY, AND I CAN'T SEEM TO CONVINCE THEM I'M NOT!
OKAY! I'LL GIVE IT ONE LAST TRY! IF NOTHING HAPPENS THIS TIME, I'LL CALL IT A DAY!
NATURE, COME, GATHER ON ME! LET US WALLOW TOGETHER IN WONDER AND GAMBOL IN THE HEATHER, TRA LA!
AND VOILÀ! THE TREES AND FERNS ARE RIGHT ON CUE!
AND MY PALS, THE BOULDER BROTHERS, THEY'RE HERE TOO!


SWING YOUR PARTNERS DOATSIE DIDDLY 2 DOUGH! ♫
THIS IS LIKE A SCENE FROM SNOW WHITE! IF ONLY THE BOYS COULD SEE ME NOW! NOT THAT THEY'D BELIEVE IT!
THIS HAS TO BE REAL, BECAUSE I COULD NEVER DREAM UP ANYTHING AS WEIRD AS THIS!
EVEN THE AIR ITSELF IS GETTING INTO THE ACT! WHOOPS! NO BARREL ROLLS, IF YOU PLEASE!
BUT ALAS, AS BEAUTIFUL AND MAGICAL AS THIS ALL IS, I'VE GOT TO GET BACK TO CAMP!
PRONTO!
I'VE GOT A RED-HOT, DING-DONG OF AN IDEA THAT'LL PUT ALL OF THIS RIGHT ON THE MAP!
DINNERTIME ARRIVES, AND MUCH TO THE BOY'S SURPRISE, DONALD QUICKLY AGREES TO CUT THE CAMPING TRIP SHORT AND GO HOME!
WHY ARE YOU SO ANXIOUS TO LEAVE ALL OF A SUDDEN?
THE MEDIA, OF COURSE!

WHAT ABOUT THE MEDIA?
PEOPLE WILL BELIEVE IN MY POWER WHEN THEY SEE IT WITH THEIR OWN EYES!
OH, NO! YOU DON'T MEAN-
YEP! I'M GOING TO GIVE A PUBLIC DEMONSTRATION THAT'LL BLOW MINDS FROM COAST TO COAST!
WELL?
YOU'RE RIGHT, NONG! THIS SPECIES ISN'T READY TO USE THE POWER INTELLIGENTLY! I'M RECALLING IT NOW!
ZOOP
GOOD! NOW LET'S FIND SOME OTHER CORNER OF THE GALAXY TO PROWL! THIS PLACE CALLED EARTH GIVES ME HIVES!
BACK IN DUCKBURG THE PRESS, RADIO AND TV CONVERGE TO WITNESS DONALD'S DEMONSTRATION OF HIS LOUDLY ANNOUNCED POWER! CROWDS JOSTLE! MOUTHS HANG SLACK AS THE BIG MOMENT ARRIVES-
LATER, BUT NOT MUCH!
POOR UNCA DONALD! 30 DAYS UNDER OBSERVATION FOR HAVING A PUBLIC TANTRUM COAST TO COAST!
AND ALL BECAUSE HE THOUGHT HE'D LOST SOME SILLY POWER HE NEVER HAD IN THE FIRST PLACE!
AIN'T NATURE GRAND!
NATURE'S HAPPY ACRES REST HOME

Walt Disney's GOOFY in Being Goofy


WITH HIS NEW "WATCHMAN" PORTABLE TV, GOOFY CAN GET IN SHAPE WHILE HE CATCHES UP ON TALK SHOWS...
BY COMBININ' JOGGIN'-TIME AN' VIEWIN'-TIME, I WON'T BE LATE FER MUH DESSERT-DATE WITH MICKEY!
TODAY ON "TALK TALK TALK", BOB BORE DISHES DIRT ON CELEBRITY ROCKHOUNDS!
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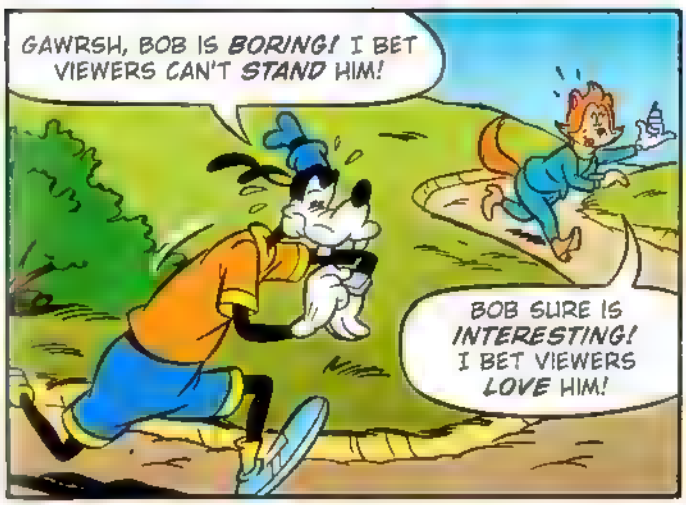
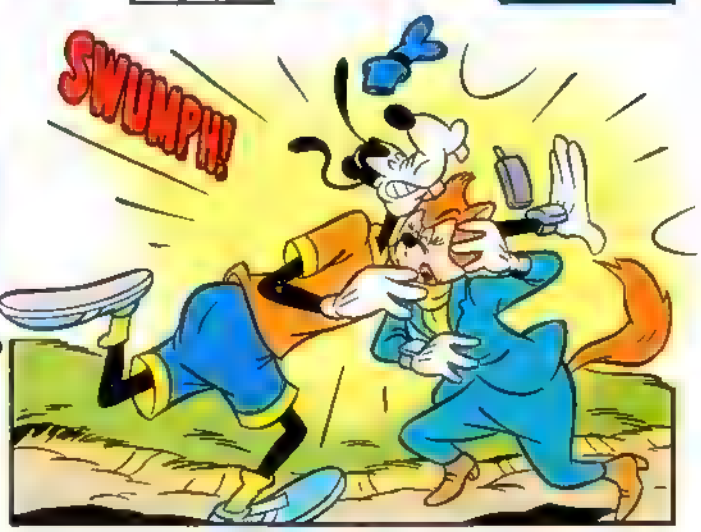
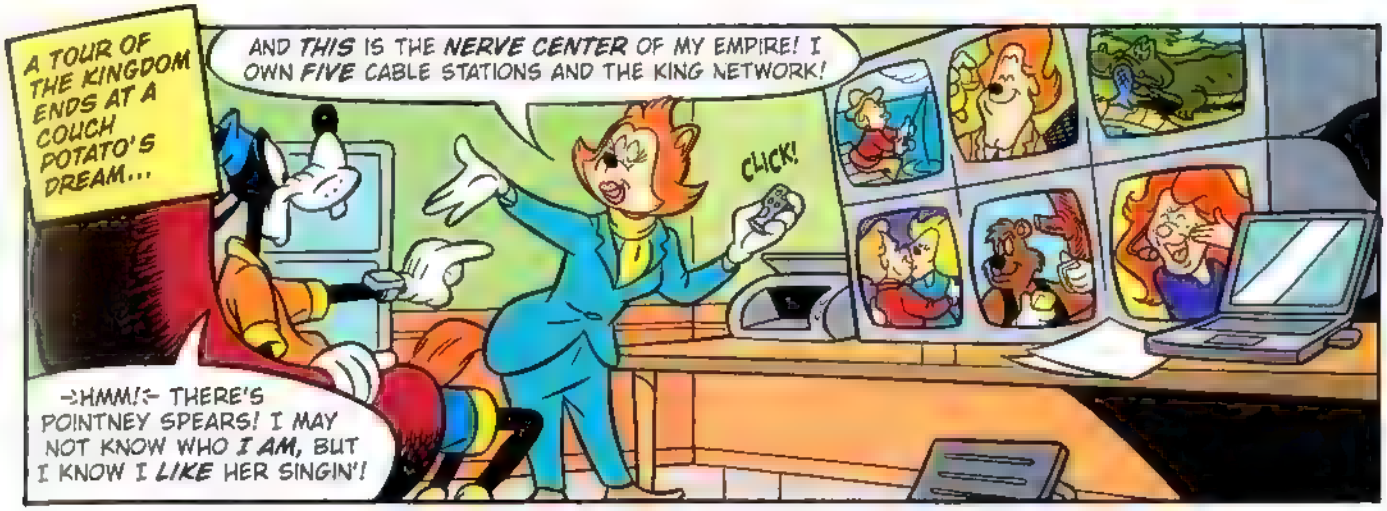
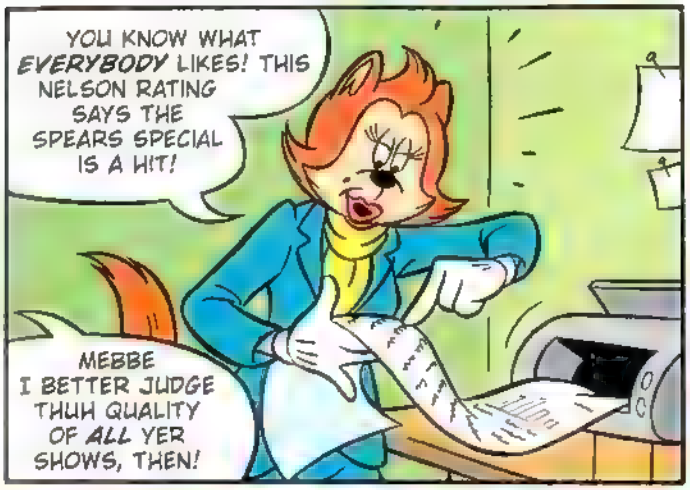


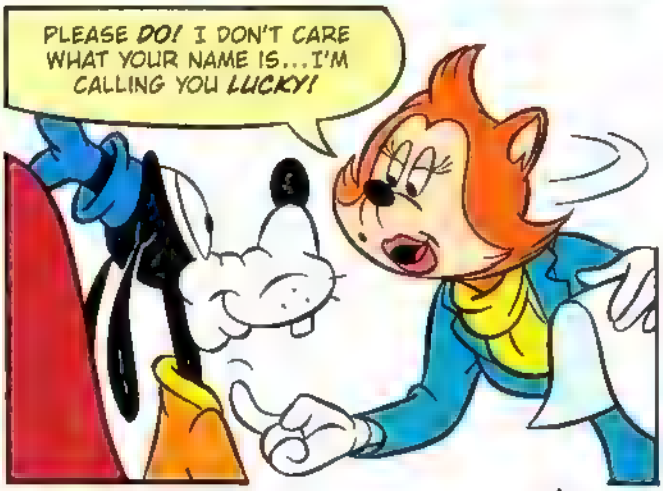
BRUCE? MADISON KING! GET ME AN OPINION POLL ON KING NETWORK'S "TALK TALK TALK"!
...PAUL McCLUNKNEY'S COLLECTION INCLUDES SIX PETRIFIED COBOCHONS...

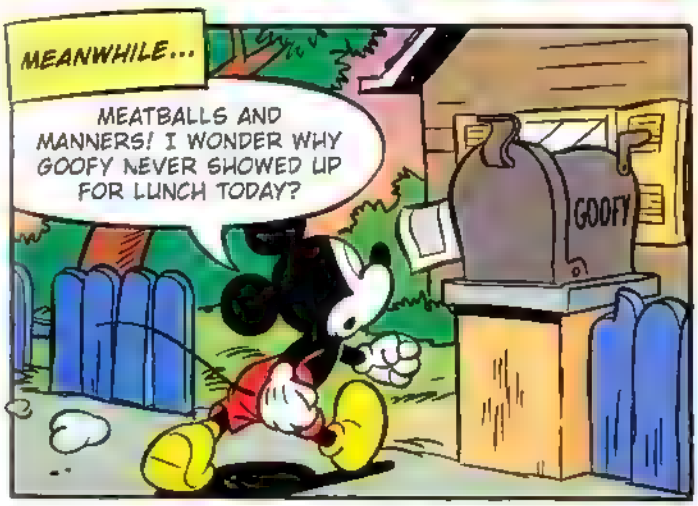


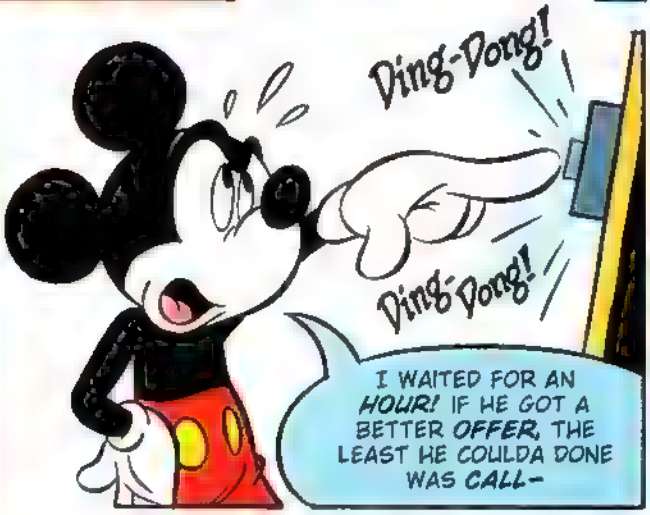
→MUMBLE!← "TALK TALK TALK"...IS ALL *TALK!*...BOB BORE →MUMBLE!← NEVER HAVE LUNCH...→MUMBLE!← WITH MICKEY... TOWN AGAIN!
HE'S COMING TO! AND IT SOUNDS LIKE HE'S A *TV CRITIC!*
Bzzzz
HALF-HOUR OPINION POLL RATES "TALK TALK TALK" POORLY, BOSS!
A *GOOD* CRITIC, TOO HE *FORESAW* THOSE POLL RESULTS!
WHERE AM I? WHO AM I? *WHUT* AM I?!
DON'T YOU *REMEMBER?* OH, DEAR! *AMNESIA!*
I THINK YOU'RE A TV CRITIC! I INSIST YOU RECUPERATE AT MY ESTATE!
WELL, I *DO* RECALL WATCHIN' TV IN THUH PARK! BUT I DON'T WANNA *IMPOSE* ON YUH...
→GAWRSH!← THEN AGAIN, A *FEW* DAYS' RECUPERATION *HERE* MIGHT NOT BE A *BAD* IDEA!
KING ESTATE

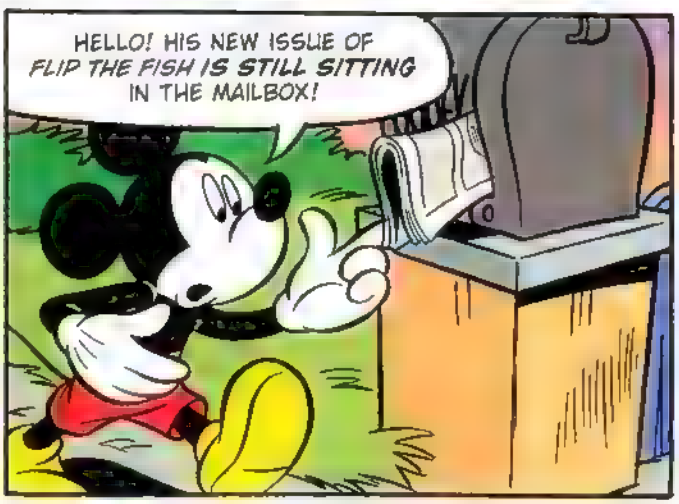

A TOUR OF THE KINGDOM ENDS AT A COUCH POTATO'S DREAM...
AND THIS IS THE NERVE CENTER OF MY EMPIRE! I OWN FIVE CABLE STATIONS AND THE KING NETWORK!
CLICK!
=HMM!= THERE'S POINTNEY SPEARS! I MAY NOT KNOW WHO I AM, BUT I KNOW I LIKE HER SINGIN'!

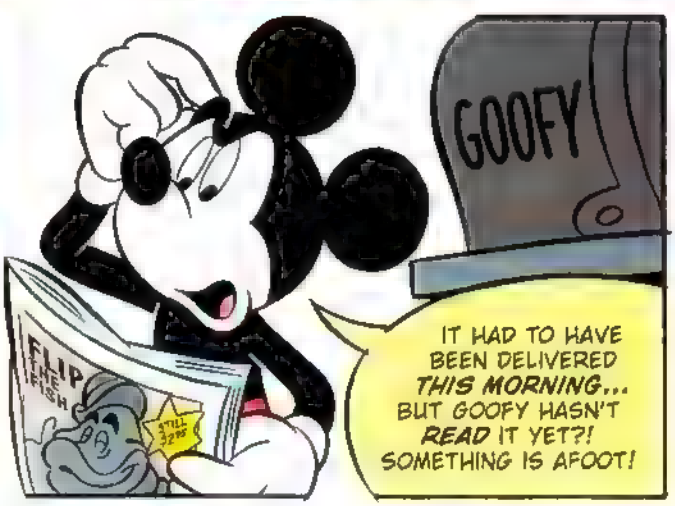

YOU KNOW WHAT EVERYBODY LIKES! THIS NELSON RATING SAYS THE SPEARS SPECIAL IS A HIT!
MEBBE I BETTER JUDGE THUH QUALITY OF ALL YER SHOWS, THEN!


PLEASE DO! I DON'T CARE WHAT YOUR NAME IS...I'M CALLING YOU LUCKY!


MEANWHILE...
MEATBALLS AND MANNERS! I WONDER WHY GOOFY NEVER SHOWED UP FOR LUNCH TODAY?
GOOFY


Ding-Dong!
Ding-Dong!
I WAITED FOR AN HOUR! IF HE GOT A BETTER OFFER, THE LEAST HE COULDA DONE WAS CALL-


HELLO! HIS NEW ISSUE OF FLIP THE FISH IS STILL SITTING IN THE MAILBOX!


GOOFY
FLIP THE FISH
STILL 32¢
IT HAD TO HAVE BEEN DELIVERED THIS MORNING... BUT GOOFY HASN'T READ IT YET?! SOMETHING IS AFOOT!

THAT'S FOR SURE...
THANKS FER THUH DUDS! I FEEL LIKE SOMEBODY, NOW... EVEN IF I'M STILL NOT SURE WHO!
I DUB YOU MY PERSONAL RATINGS GURU!
GREAT! 'CAUSE I HAD AN IDEA FOR ONE O' THEM DATIN' SHOWS!
REALLY?! LET'S, UH, DISCUSS IT- SAY, OVER DINNER?
...AN' THUH NEWS! THUH NEWS S JEST TOO DURN SERIOUS! NEWS REPORTERS OUGHTTA BE HIT WITH CREAM PIES SOMETIMES!
-SIGH!-
TELL ME, DO YOU LIKE MY GOWN?
THAT'S IT! A GAME SHOW WHERE CONTESTANTS HAFTA WEAR AWFUL FASHIONS!
IT CAN'T MISS!
I MEAN IT, BRUCE! GET LUCKY'S IDEAS PRODUCED AND ON THE AIR... YESTERDAY!
GOOFY'S STILL NOT HOME! I'D BETTER GET CRACKING ON FINDING HIM!
CLICK!
MADISON KING'S TV EMPIRE GETS CRACKING, TOO!
TV WEEK
MAD KING GETS "LUCKY"
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"LUCKY" TO CREAM NEWS
"LUCKY" UPS RATINGS

GOOFY'S TV SHOW CONCEPTS GO INTO PRODUCTION! EXISTING SHOWS HAVE NEW ELEMENTS ADDED...
KING NETWORK NEWS! HOME OF THE NEWS ITEMS YOU DON'T EXPECT–
FLATCH!
...NEW SERIES ARE PLANNED...
WE'RE BRINGING COMIC BOOK STAR FLIP THE FISH TO ANIMATION! "LUCKY" ASKS YOU ARTISTS TO GET ACQUAINTED WITH FLIP'S UNDERSEA LIFESTYLE!
...AND OLD ONES TRANSFORMED...
REVAMPING "TALK TALK TALK" AND KICKING IT OFF WITH OURSELVES AS GUESTS WAS INSPIRED!
I HOPE BOB BORE LIKES THUH CHANGES WE MADE!
BORE LIKES WHAT I TELL HIM TO LIKE! KEEP THOSE IDEAS COMING!
SOUND STAGE
...YES, I WON'T MAKE A MOVE WITHOUT LUCKY! HE'S THE GENIUS BEHIND THE UPCOMING HIT SHOWS ON MY AFFILIATED STATIONS!
GENIUS, INDEED! I WOULD NEVER HAVE FURNISHED OUR SAFE LITTLE TALK SHOW WITH D-DANGEROUS WILD ANIMALS!
TALK TALK SQUAWK

WATCH FER THUH REALITY SHOW WHERE PARTICIPANTS LIVE WITH MONKEYS IN A ZOO...
GOOFY! I FOUND YOU! AND YOU'RE A... CELEBRITY?!
I CAN'T FIGURE OUT WHY HE DIDN'T TELL ME, BUT I CAN'T WAIT TO CONGRATULATE HIM! THERE HE IS NOW!
KING TV STUDIOS
STAGE DOOR
HEY, GOOFY! I'M PROUD OF YOU, BUDDY!
REALLY, STRANGER?! THEN YUH OUGHTTA QUIT CALLIN' ME NAMES!
?!
BLANKS AND BLACKOUTS! HE DIDN'T KNOW ME! GOOFY HAS AMNESIA!
AND SO...
AS HIS BEST PAL, MS. KING, I'D BE HAPPY FOR GOOFY'S SUCCESS, BUT HE HAS NO IDEA WHO HE IS! WE'VE GOTTA HELP HIM REMEMBER!
I MEAN, HE'S ALWAYS LIKED TV! BUT I'M NOT SURE HIS REAL SELF WOULD WANT TO BE AN EXECUTIVE!
WHAT?!
I KNOW WHAT'S BEST FOR LUCKY, MR. MOUSE! DON'T CALL HERE AGAIN!
-HUH?!- BUT I-I-I-

BLAST IT! LUCKY MAY NOT CONTINUE WORKING FOR ME IF HE RECOVERS HIS MEMORY! WHY DIDN'T I THINK OF THAT BEFORE?
SPLASH
HACKLEY! ALERT THE STAFF TO REFUSE ALL CALLS FROM MICKEY MOUSE!
OF COURSE, MADAM!
NOW INFORM THE PRESS! LUCKY AND I ARE GOING ON HOLIDAY...TO GET AWAY FROM IT ALL!
HMM! MAYBE MADISON SHOULDN'T HAVE INFORMED THE PRESS...
GOING TO MONKEY CARLO, ARE THEY? SO WILL I! I DON'T GIVE UP ON MY PALS!
PERFECT COUPLE TAKES PERFECT TRIP TO MONKEY CARLO
NEXT DAY, MONKEY CARLO...
IF ONLY THESE WERE THUH KIND O' CHIPS YUH COULD EAT!
WAIT HERE, I'LL GET YOU A SNACK!
ALL I HAVE TO DO IS FIND THE FOOD AND I'LL FIND THE GOOF!
NOT AT THE BUFFET? BOY, HE REALLY HAS CHANGED!
FIRST I PLANT THE LOADED DECK! THEN I ALERT SECURITY!
BUT I'M NOT SMUGGLING EXTRA ACES INTO THE CASINO!
EXIT
AND WE'RE NOT THROWING YOU OUT, CHEATER!

UNDAUNTED, MICKEY PURSUES GOOFY AND MADISON TO STEAMROLLER SPRINGS...
I HAFTA JOG HIS MEMORY!
GOOFY! DON'T YOU LOVE HAMBURGERS? CHOCOLATE SHAKES?
OF COURSE! NOW STOP CALLING ME GOOFY!
LUNCH TIME!
GREAT! THAT RUDE MOUSE WAS MAKING ME HUNGRY!
YEEIPE!
WARNING ULTRA-ADVANCED SLOPE!
YES, RUDE PEOPLE ARE ALWAYS OUT TO BOTHER US MEDIA BIGWHEELS! IT BUGS THEM THAT WE HAVE POWER AND THEY DON'T!
YUH THINK I COULD HAVE MORE BURGERS? IT BUGS ME THAT I'M RUNNIN' OUT!
MORE BURGERS? YES! AND FIVE MORE ICE CREAM SODAS! AND A LONG LIE IN OUR LODGE'S HOT TUB!
ALL HANDS WHO'RE BORED, PREPARE TA RELAX!
THAT'S THE SPIRIT, LUCKY!

"LUCKY"! →HYUCK!← IT SHURE IS SOMETHIN', HAVIN' POWER! IT'S FUN DREAMIN' UP TV SHOWS AN' TRAVELIN' AROUND!
I GUESS!
IT COULD GIT DULL AFTER A WHILE! IF I QUIT, WOULD MADISON STILL LIKE ME?
AN' MUH PAST LIFE! WHUT ELSE AM I MISSIN'? MEBBE I'VE FORGOTTEN SOME REAL FUN STUFF...
HEY, THERE'S GOOFY!
NOW I'VE GOT HIM-ALONE! THIS PHOTO ALBUM WILL REMIND HIM WHO HE IS!
OUR PHOTOS
AW, I SHOULD WORRY! WHO COULD BE HAPPIER THAN ME?
!?
→SIGH!← I CAN'T! I CAN'T BURST A BUBBLE THAT MY BEST FRIEND SEEMS TO LOVE THIS MUCH!
→SIGH!← I JUST HOPE HE DOESN'T...GET HURT...

ON THE WAY HOME...
GOOFY MAY BE HAPPY, BUT I'M LONELY ALREADY! I CAN ALMOST HEAR THE GUY NOW, ASKING SOMETHING LIKE–
WHUT IF I SAY A-B-C INSTEAD O' ONE-TWO-THREE BEFORE I PULL THUH RIPCORD? WILL MUH PARACHUTE STILL OPEN?!
SAL'S SKYDIVING FLIGHTS
→GASP!← WITHOUT THE MEMORIES OF HIS LIFE'S EXPERIENCES, GOOFY'S COMMON SENSE HAS BEEN WEAKENED!
THAT CRAZY MILLIONAIRE HAS H M JUMPING OUT OF PLANES WITH HER! HE REALLY MIGHT GET HURT...BADLY!
CHARTER ME A SKYDIVING JUMP! I HAFTA SAVE MY AMNESIAC FRIEND!
I HOPE HE REMEMBERS YOU FOR THIS!
FOLLOW THAT OTHER PLANE!
WHAT?! THIS ISN'T A TAXI!
TARGET IS IN SIGHT!
LUCKY, IT'S MUCH MORE FUN IF YOU JUST LET GO!
LET GO O' WHUT? THERE'S NOTHIN' TA HOLD ONTA!

GOOFY! IT'S ME... MICKEY! YOU'VE GOTTA REMEMBER!
SEPTEMBER? SKYDIVIN' IS TRICKY, BUT IT WON'T BE ANY EASIER IN SEPTEMBER-
MADISON!
YAHA!
SOME MICE JUST DON'T KNOW WHEN TO QUIT!
WITH GOOFY'S LIFE ON THE LINE? LADY, YOU- -UGH!-
FOOMP!
GOOFY'S MAKING CONTACT WITH THE GROUND! I CAN'T LOOK!
I HOPE HE'S SAFE! I HOPE HE'S OKAY!
WELL, I MADE IT!
WUNK!

YOU INSIGNIFICANT, MEDDLING PEST! YOU WON'T COME BETWEEN ME AND TV SUCCESS!
TV SUCCESS?!
MICKEY! WHERE ARE WE? DO I LIVE ON A FARM NOW?
GOOFY! YOU'RE BACK!
NO FARM! YOU'RE MY BEST FRIEND, GOOFY! RIGHT?!
YOU KNOW IT!
GRACIOUS! HOW TOUCHING! I...I...
...I'VE BEEN A HEEL!
LATER, BACK IN GOOFY'S ORDINARY LIFE...
HOW CAN YOU BE SO HAPPY? YOU MADE MADISON RICHER AND CAME AWAY WITH NOTHING!
I WOULDN'T EXACTLY SAY NOTHIN', MICKEY, OL' PAL!
MUH WATCHMAN WILL RECEIVE MADISON'S 200 CHANNEL SUPERSYSTEM AS LONG AS I DON'T TELL FOLKS HOW SHE TOOK ADVANTAGE OF ME!
-:HMPH!:- IT'S THE LEAST SHE COULD DO!
OH, SHE'S NOT SO BAD! YUH MIGHT SAY SHE TOOK ME ON A LONG-OVERDUE VACATION... FROM MUHSELF!

Walt Disney's

Donald Duck in

MYTHOS ISLAND: CHAPTER 1

MYTHING: ONE ISLAND!

HEY, GYRO, WE'VE BROUGHT YOU A LITTLE SNACK! YOU'VE BEEN WORKING MUCH TOO HARD ON YOUR NEW INVENTION LATELY!
YOU'RE RIGHT, KIDS, BUT STILL I CAN'T GET ALL THE BUGS WORKED OUT!
WHAT THE HOLY HAY IS THAT CONTRAPTION SUPPOSED TO *DO* ANYWAY?
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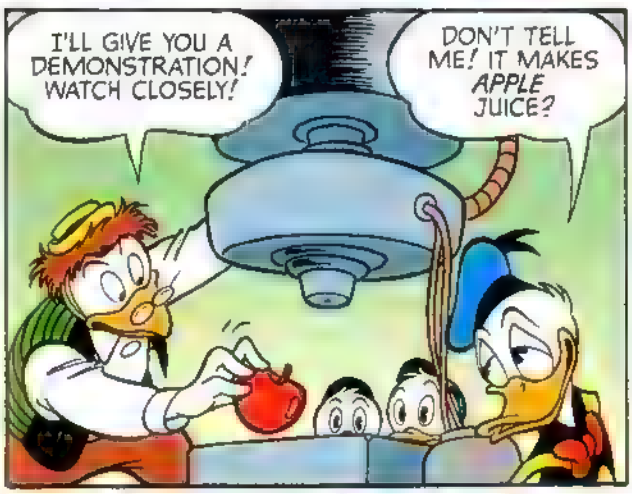
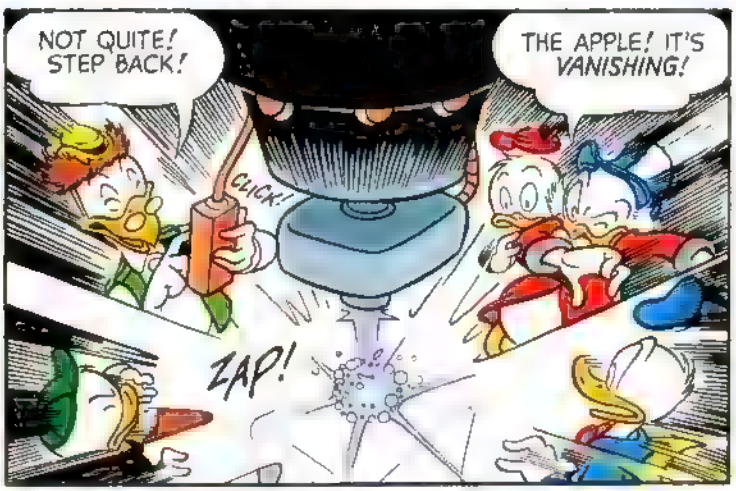
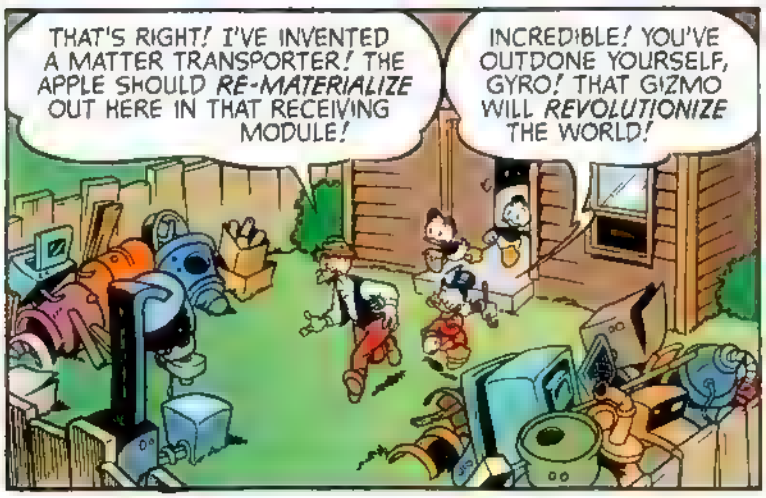
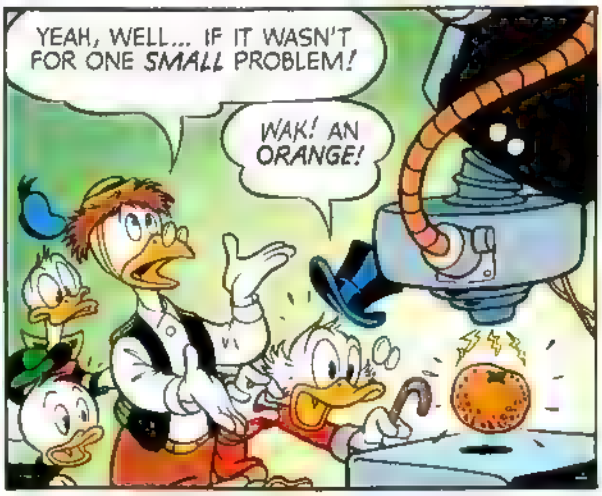
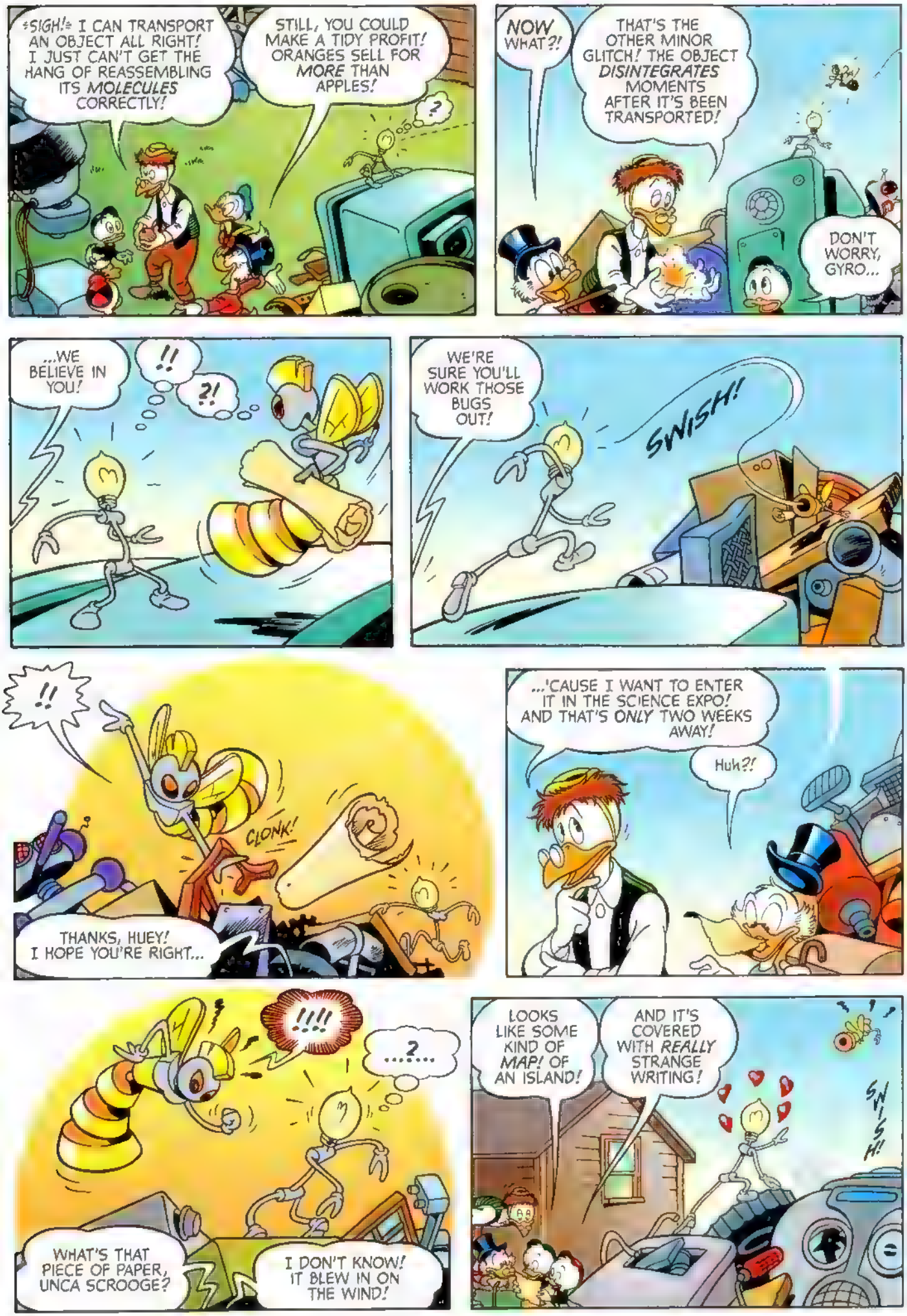


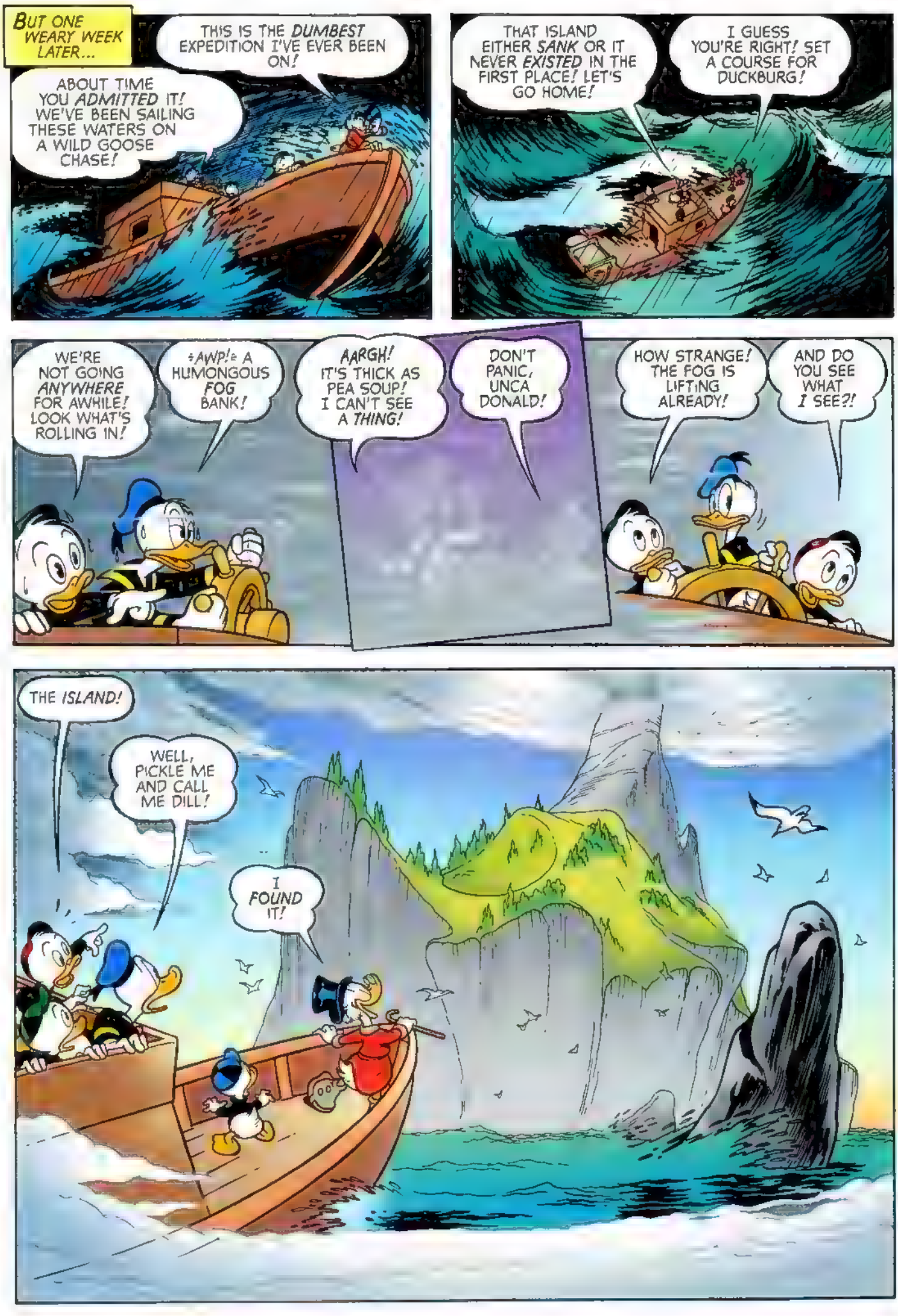


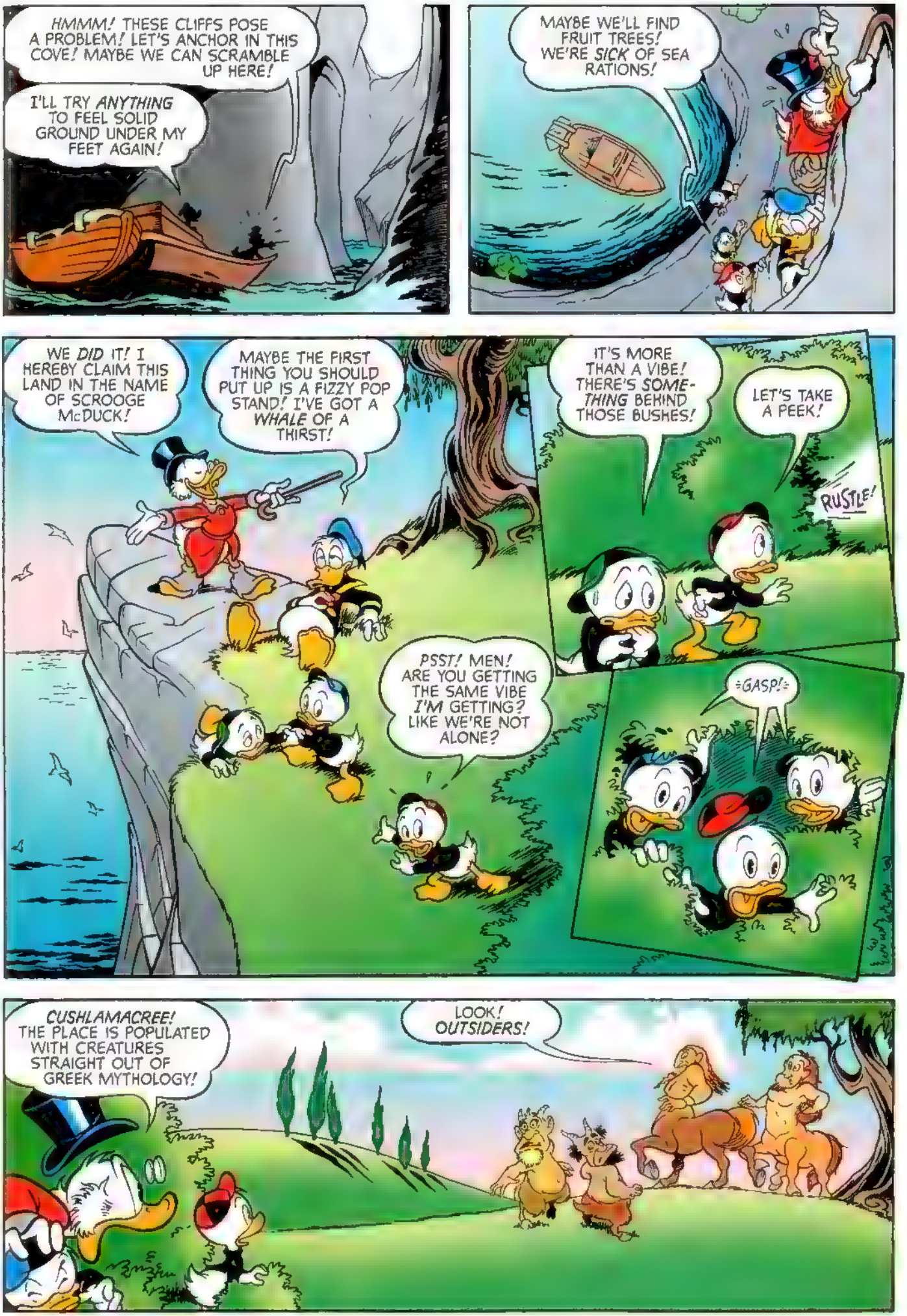

THAT'S RIGHT! I'VE INVENTED A MATTER TRANSPORTER! THE APPLE SHOULD *RE-MATERIALIZE* OUT HERE IN THAT RECEIVING MODULE!
INCREDIBLE! YOU'VE OUTDONE YOURSELF, GYRO! THAT GIZMO WILL *REVOLUTIONIZE* THE WORLD!

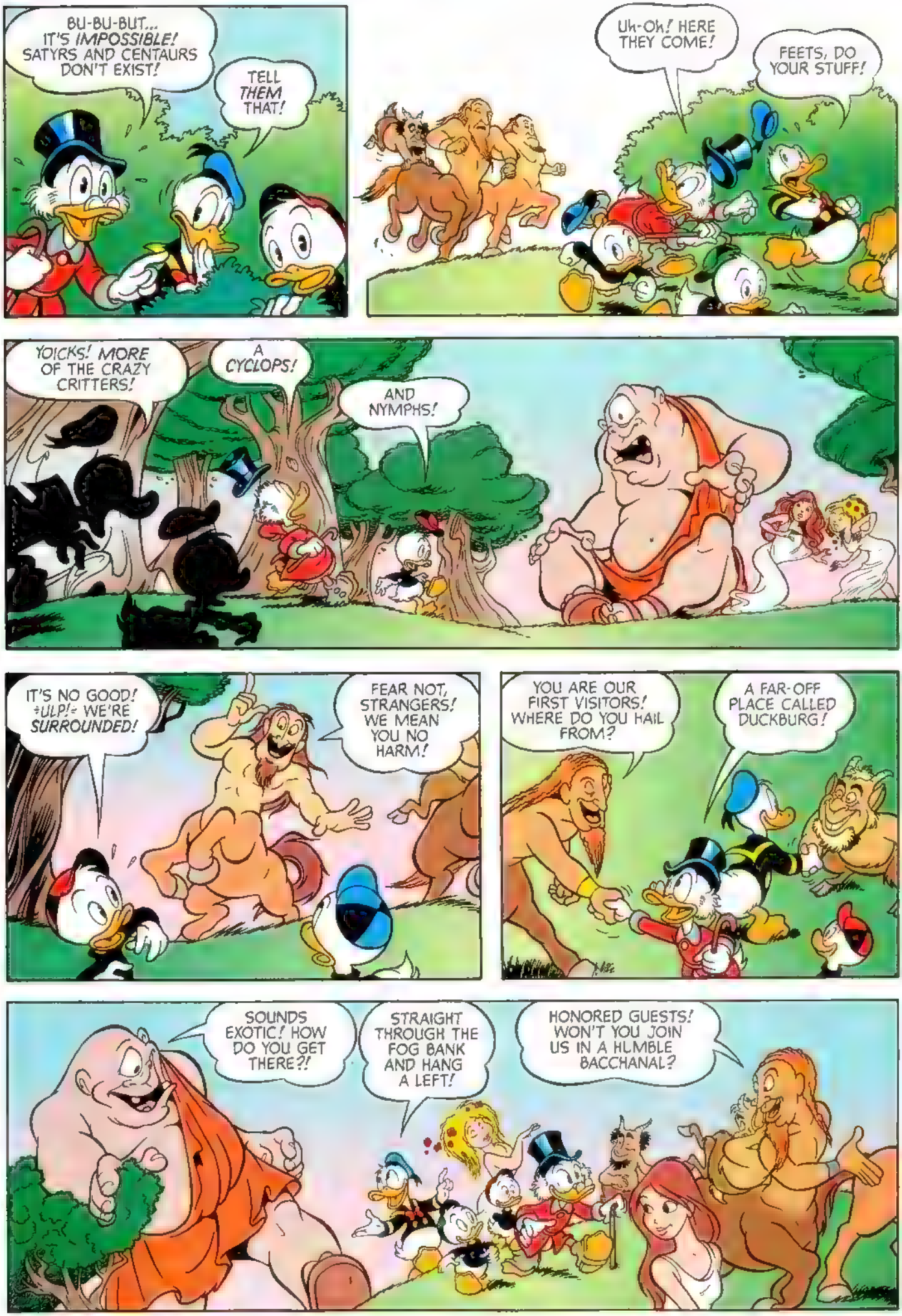


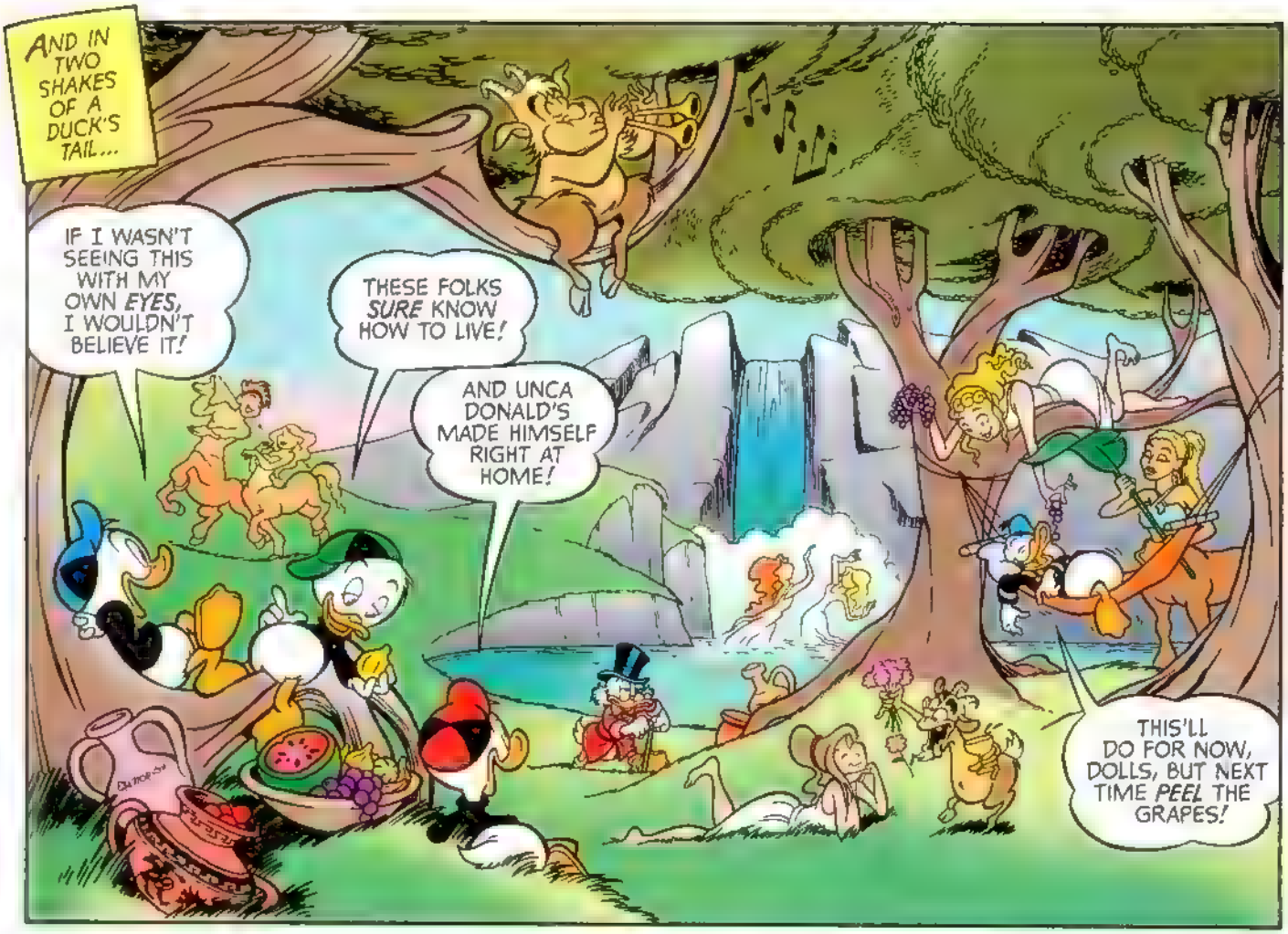

SIGH! I CAN TRANSPORT AN OBJECT ALL RIGHT! I JUST CAN'T GET THE HANG OF REASSEMBLING ITS *MOLECULES* CORRECTLY!
STILL, YOU COULD MAKE A TIDY PROFIT! ORANGES SELL FOR *MORE* THAN APPLES!
?
NOW WHAT?!
THAT'S THE OTHER MINOR GLITCH! THE OBJECT *DISINTEGRATES* MOMENTS AFTER IT'S BEEN TRANSPORTED!
DON'T WORRY, GYRO...
...WE BELIEVE IN YOU!
!!
?!
WE'RE SURE YOU'LL WORK THOSE BUGS OUT!
SWISH!
!!
CLONK!
THANKS, HUEY! I HOPE YOU'RE RIGHT...
...'CAUSE I WANT TO ENTER IT IN THE SCIENCE EXPO! AND THAT'S *ONLY* TWO WEEKS AWAY!
Huh?!
!!!!
...?...
WHAT'S THAT PIECE OF PAPER, UNCA SCROOGE?
I DON'T KNOW! IT BLEW IN ON THE WIND!
LOOKS LIKE SOME KIND OF *MAP!* OF AN ISLAND!
AND IT'S COVERED WITH *REALLY* STRANGE WRITING!
SWISH!

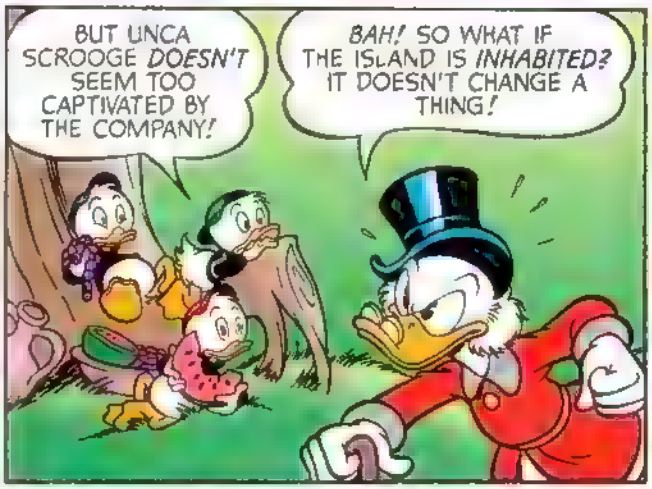
SHORTLY...
ACCORDING TO THE WOODCHUCK GUIDE, THIS MYSTERIOUS, ARCHAIC SCRIPT HAS NEVER BEEN DECIPHERED!
THE PAPER ITSELF SEEMS TO BE AN ANCIENT FORM OF PAPYRUS! WHERE DID IT COME FROM?!
THERE ARE CO-ORDINATES ON THE MAP! DOES THIS ISLAND EXIST ON MODERN CHARTS?!
OR IS IT AN UNKNOWN PIECE OF REAL ESTATE?
BEST PLACE TO FIND OUT IS THE LIBRARY!
GOOD THINKING! COME ON! I HEAR OPPORTUNITY KNOCKING! SO LONG, GYRO!
WHAT'S WITH YOU, HELPER? DAYDREAMING?! SNAP OUT OF IT! WE'VE GOT WORK TO DO!
AND SO...
WE'VE LOOKED EVERY-WHERE! THERE'S NO SIGN OF THE ISLAND IN ANY OF THESE CHART BOOKS!
HAH! I FELT IT IN MY BONES!
SOMEBODY MUST KNOW ABOUT IT! WHOEVER DREW THE MAP, FOR STARTERS!
A TRIFLING DETAIL! JUST THINK OF IT! AN UNDISCOVERED ISLE! UNINHABITED! LOADED WITH NATURAL RESOURCES!
MINE FOR THE TAKING! I'VE GOT TO FIND IT AND CLAIM IT FOR MY OWN!
SHUUSSHH!
SO, OUR FRIENDS PUT OUT TO SEA...
=HUMPH!= CHASING AFTER AN ISLAND ON A MAP BLOWN IN BY THE BREEZE! THIS IS THE DUMBEST EXPEDITION I'VE EVER BEEN ON!
SPEAK FOR YOURSELF, NEPHEW!

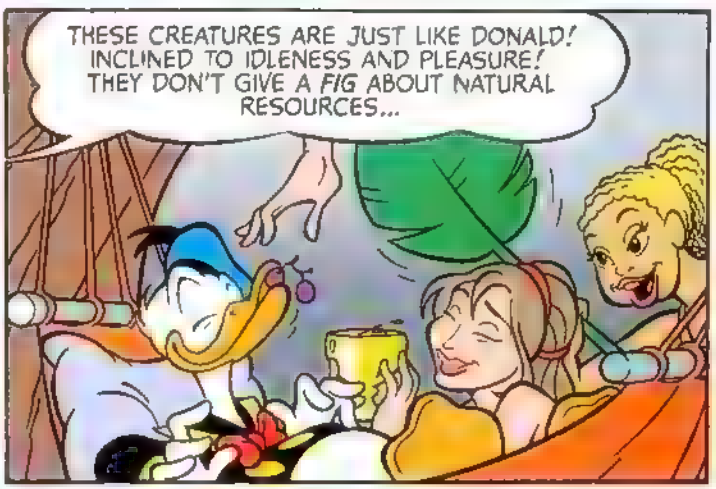

BUT ONE WEARY WEEK LATER...
THIS IS THE DUMBEST EXPEDITION I'VE EVER BEEN ON!
ABOUT TIME YOU ADMITTED IT! WE'VE BEEN SAILING THESE WATERS ON A WILD GOOSE CHASE!
THAT ISLAND EITHER SANK OR IT NEVER EXISTED IN THE FIRST PLACE! LET'S GO HOME!
I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT! SET A COURSE FOR DUCKBURG!
WE'RE NOT GOING ANYWHERE FOR AWHILE! LOOK WHAT'S ROLLING IN!
AWP! A HUMONGOUS FOG BANK!
AARGH! IT'S THICK AS PEA SOUP! I CAN'T SEE A THING!
DON'T PANIC, UNCA DONALD!
HOW STRANGE! THE FOG IS LIFTING ALREADY!
AND DO YOU SEE WHAT I SEE?!
THE ISLAND!
WELL, PICKLE ME AND CALL ME DILL!
I FOUND IT!

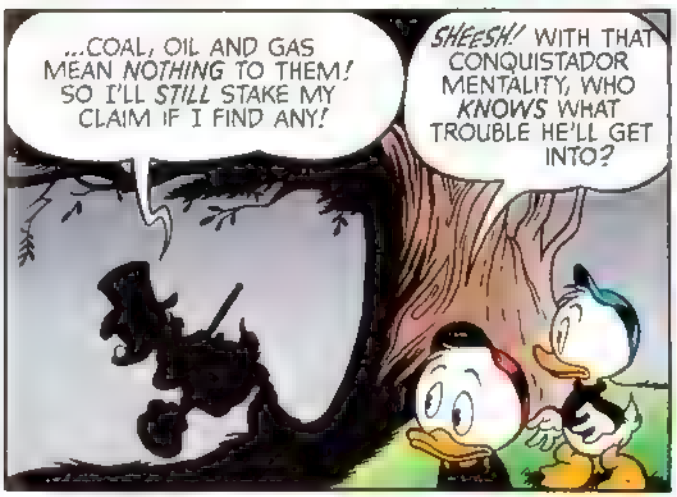

HMMM! THESE CLIFFS POSE A PROBLEM! LET'S ANCHOR IN THIS COVE! MAYBE WE CAN SCRAMBLE UP HERE!
I'LL TRY ANYTHING TO FEEL SOLID GROUND UNDER MY FEET AGAIN!
MAYBE WE'LL FIND FRUIT TREES! WE'RE SICK OF SEA RATIONS!
WE DID IT! I HEREBY CLAIM THIS LAND IN THE NAME OF SCROOGE McDUCK!
MAYBE THE FIRST THING YOU SHOULD PUT UP IS A FIZZY POP STAND! I'VE GOT A WHALE OF A THIRST!
PSST! MEN! ARE YOU GETTING THE SAME VIBE I'M GETTING? LIKE WE'RE NOT ALONE?
IT'S MORE THAN A VIBE! THERE'S SOMETHING BEHIND THOSE BUSHES!
LET'S TAKE A PEEK!
RUSTLE!
=GASP!=
CUSHLAMACREE! THE PLACE IS POPULATED WITH CREATURES STRAIGHT OUT OF GREEK MYTHOLOGY!
LOOK! OUTSIDERS!

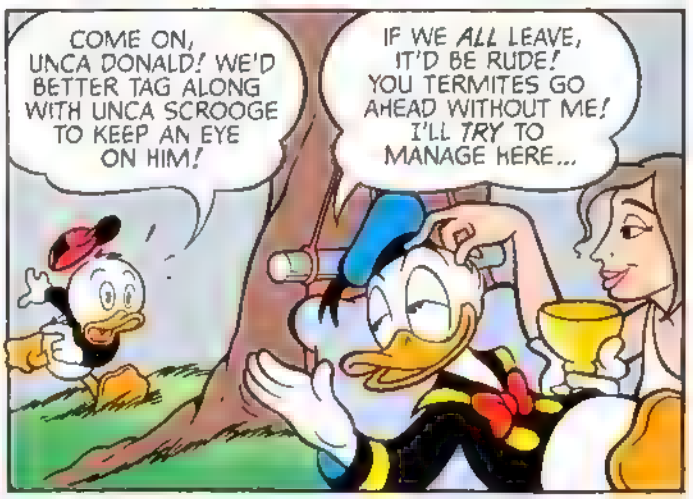

BU-BU-BUT... IT'S IMPOSSIBLE! SATYRS AND CENTAURS DON'T EXIST!
TELL THEM THAT!
Uh-Oh! HERE THEY COME!
FEETS, DO YOUR STUFF!
YOICKS! MORE OF THE CRAZY CRITTERS!
A CYCLOPS!
AND NYMPHS!
IT'S NO GOOD! =ULP!= WE'RE SURROUNDED!
FEAR NOT, STRANGERS! WE MEAN YOU NO HARM!
YOU ARE OUR FIRST VISITORS! WHERE DO YOU HAIL FROM?
A FAR-OFF PLACE CALLED DUCKBURG!
SOUNDS EXOTIC! HOW DO YOU GET THERE?!
STRAIGHT THROUGH THE FOG BANK AND HANG A LEFT!
HONORED GUESTS! WON'T YOU JOIN US IN A HUMBLE BACCHANAL?

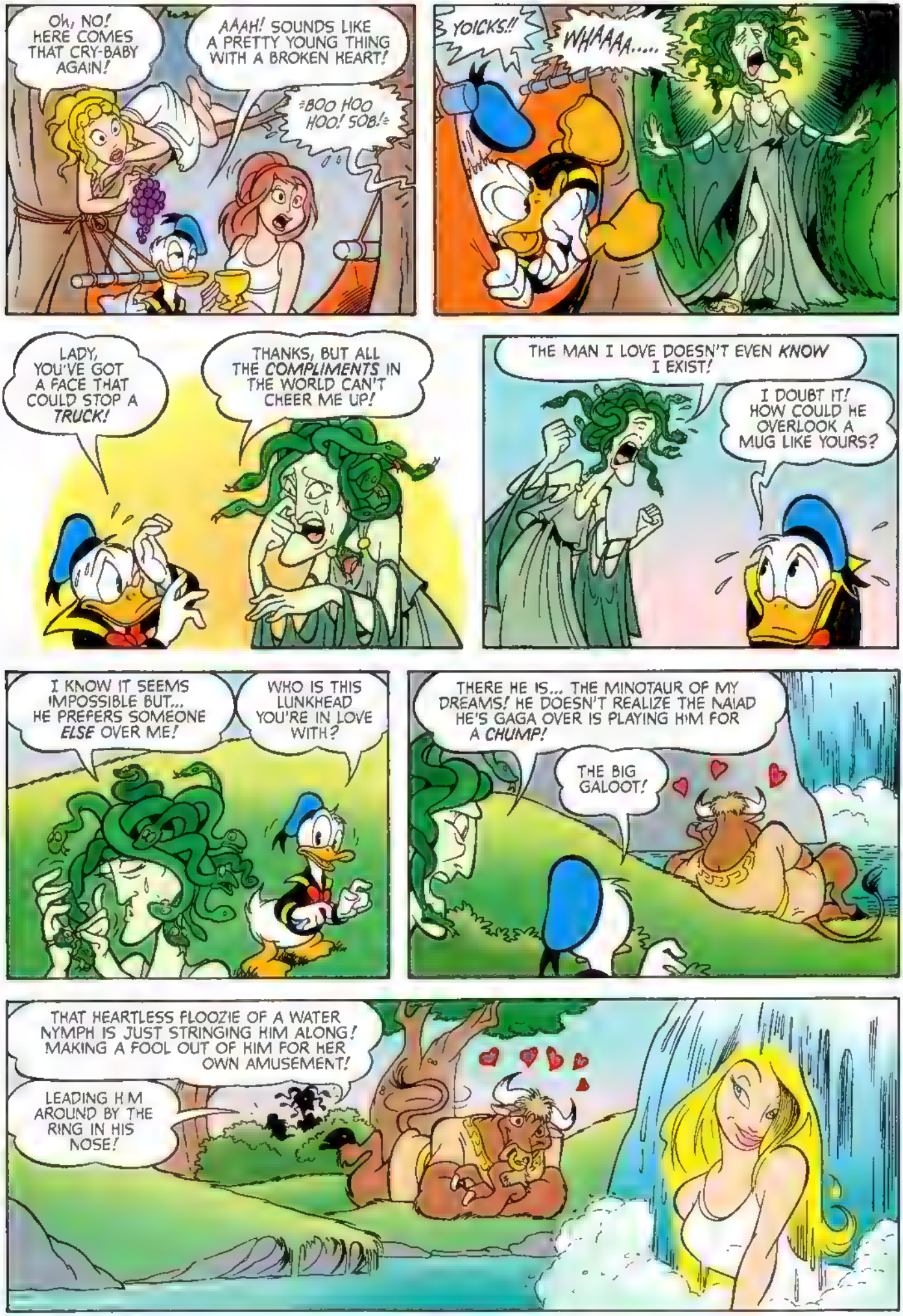

AND IN TWO SHAKES OF A DUCK'S TAIL...
IF I WASN'T SEEING THIS WITH MY OWN EYES, I WOULDN'T BELIEVE IT!
THESE FOLKS SURE KNOW HOW TO LIVE!
AND UNCA DONALD'S MADE HIMSELF RIGHT AT HOME!
THIS'LL DO FOR NOW, DOLLS, BUT NEXT TIME PEEL THE GRAPES!

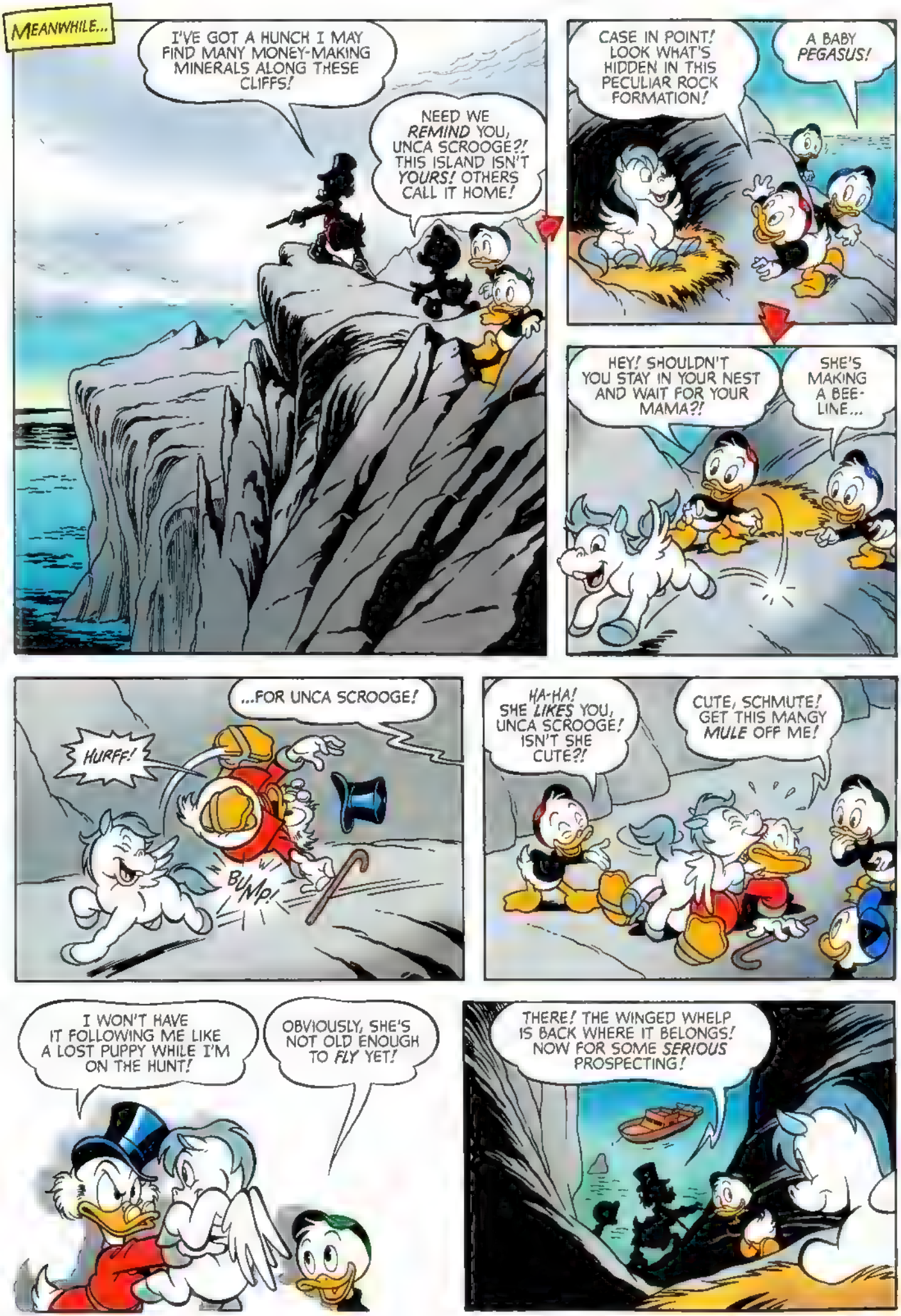

BUT UNCA SCROOGE DOESN'T SEEM TOO CAPTIVATED BY THE COMPANY!
BAH! SO WHAT IF THE ISLAND IS INHABITED? IT DOESN'T CHANGE A THING!

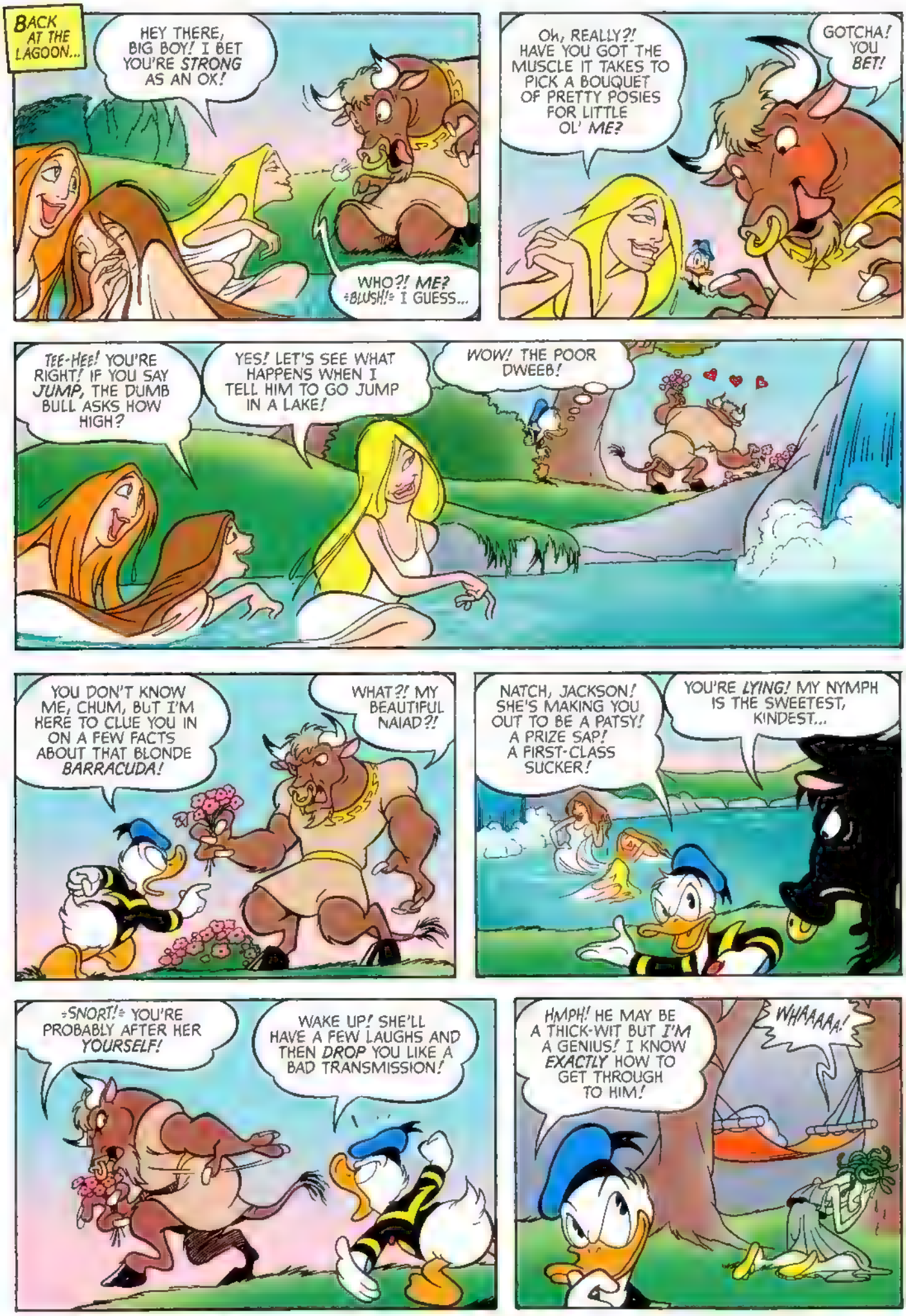

THESE CREATURES ARE JUST LIKE DONALD! INCLINED TO IDLENESS AND PLEASURE! THEY DON'T GIVE A FIG ABOUT NATURAL RESOURCES...


...COAL, OIL AND GAS MEAN NOTHING TO THEM! SO I'LL STILL STAKE MY CLAIM IF I FIND ANY!
SHEESH! WITH THAT CONQUISTADOR MENTALITY, WHO KNOWS WHAT TROUBLE HE'LL GET INTO?


COME ON, UNCA DONALD! WE'D BETTER TAG ALONG WITH UNCA SCROOGE TO KEEP AN EYE ON HIM!
IF WE ALL LEAVE, IT'D BE RUDE! YOU TERMITES GO AHEAD WITHOUT ME! I'LL TRY TO MANAGE HERE...


Oh, NO! HERE COMES THAT CRY-BABY AGAIN!
AAAH! SOUNDS LIKE A PRETTY YOUNG THING WITH A BROKEN HEART!
=BOO HOO HOO! SOB!=
YOICKS!!
WHAAAA.....
LADY, YOU'VE GOT A FACE THAT COULD STOP A TRUCK!
THANKS, BUT ALL THE COMPLIMENTS IN THE WORLD CAN'T CHEER ME UP!
THE MAN I LOVE DOESN'T EVEN KNOW I EXIST!
I DOUBT IT! HOW COULD HE OVERLOOK A MUG LIKE YOURS?
I KNOW IT SEEMS IMPOSSIBLE BUT... HE PREFERS SOMEONE ELSE OVER ME!
WHO IS THIS LUNKHEAD YOU'RE IN LOVE WITH?
THERE HE IS... THE MINOTAUR OF MY DREAMS! HE DOESN'T REALIZE THE NAIAD HE'S GAGA OVER IS PLAYING HIM FOR A CHUMP!
THE BIG GALOOT!
THAT HEARTLESS FLOOZIE OF A WATER NYMPH IS JUST STRINGING HIM ALONG! MAKING A FOOL OUT OF HIM FOR HER OWN AMUSEMENT!
LEADING HIM AROUND BY THE RING IN HIS NOSE!


MEANWHILE...
I'VE GOT A HUNCH I MAY FIND MANY MONEY-MAKING MINERALS ALONG THESE CLIFFS!
NEED WE *REMIND* YOU, UNCA SCROOGE?! THIS ISLAND ISN'T *YOURS!* OTHERS CALL IT HOME!
CASE IN POINT! LOOK WHAT'S HIDDEN IN THIS PECULIAR ROCK FORMATION!
A BABY *PEGASUS!*
HEY! SHOULDN'T YOU STAY IN YOUR NEST AND WAIT FOR YOUR MAMA?!
SHE'S MAKING A BEE-LINE...
...FOR UNCA SCROOGE!
HURFF!
W/ BUMP!
HA-HA! SHE *LIKES* YOU, UNCA SCROOGE! ISN'T SHE CUTE?!
CUTE, SCHMUTE! GET THIS MANGY *MULE* OFF ME!
I WON'T HAVE IT FOLLOWING ME LIKE A LOST PUPPY WHILE I'M ON THE HUNT!
OBVIOUSLY, SHE'S NOT OLD ENOUGH TO *FLY* YET!
THERE! THE WINGED WHELP IS BACK WHERE IT BELONGS! NOW FOR SOME *SERIOUS* PROSPECTING!


BACK AT THE LAGOON...
HEY THERE, BIG BOY! I BET YOU'RE STRONG AS AN OX!
WHO?! ME? =BLUSH!= I GUESS...
OH, REALLY?! HAVE YOU GOT THE MUSCLE IT TAKES TO PICK A BOUQUET OF PRETTY POSIES FOR LITTLE OL' ME?
GOTCHA! YOU BET!
TEE-HEE! YOU'RE RIGHT! IF YOU SAY JUMP, THE DUMB BULL ASKS HOW HIGH?
YES! LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I TELL HIM TO GO JUMP IN A LAKE!
WOW! THE POOR DWEEB!
YOU DON'T KNOW ME, CHUM, BUT I'M HERE TO CLUE YOU IN ON A FEW FACTS ABOUT THAT BLONDE BARRACUDA!
WHAT?! MY BEAUTIFUL NAIAD?!
NATCH, JACKSON! SHE'S MAKING YOU OUT TO BE A PATSY! A PRIZE SAP! A FIRST-CLASS SUCKER!
YOU'RE LYING! MY NYMPH IS THE SWEETEST, KINDEST...
=SNORT!= YOU'RE PROBABLY AFTER HER YOURSELF!
WAKE UP! SHE'LL HAVE A FEW LAUGHS AND THEN DROP YOU LIKE A BAD TRANSMISSION!
HMPH! HE MAY BE A THICK-WIT BUT I'M A GENIUS! I KNOW EXACTLY HOW TO GET THROUGH TO HIM!
WHAAAAA!

SO, THERE YOU ARE! FOR AN ERRAND BOY, YOU'RE A LITTLE SLOW, AREN'T YOU?!
TH-TH-THESE ARE FOR YOU!
AND YOU DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT FLOWERS, DO YOU?
I DON'T?
THEY NEED WATER!
?!
TEE-HEE-HEE!
HERE GOES NOTHING!
SPLUSH!
TH-TH-THAT WASN'T VERY NICE!
SO WHAT? I'M THROUGH WITH YOU! SCRAM, BUFFOON!
IF THIS DOESN'T MAKE YOU SEE RED, NOTHING WILL!
SNORT! SNORT!
Huh?!
OLÉ, PAL!
ROOAARR!
FO-OOSH!
EEEEEK!

AT THAT VERY MOMENT...
R-RUMBLE!
THERE MUST BE SOME-THING HERE THAT'LL MAKE THIS ISLAND PAY OFF!
LISTEN! THAT SOUND! IS IT THUNDER?
GR-R-UMBLE!
OMIGOSH! THE ROCK FORMATION WITH THE PEGASUS NEST!
!!!
THE LITTLE FILLY CAN'T FLY!
SHE'S FALLING!
Oh, MY STARS AND GARTERS!
GOTCHA!
ATTABOY, UNCA SCROOGE!
HAUL HER UP HERE BEFORE YOU BOTH GET HIT!
=PHEW!= THIS HALF-PINT IS HEAVY!
LOOK! MORE OF THE CLIFF FACE IS CRUMBLING AWAY!
THOSE BOULDERS COULD SINK OUR BOAT!
WE'VE GOTTA GET HER OUT OF THAT COVE— PRONTO!
SPLASH!
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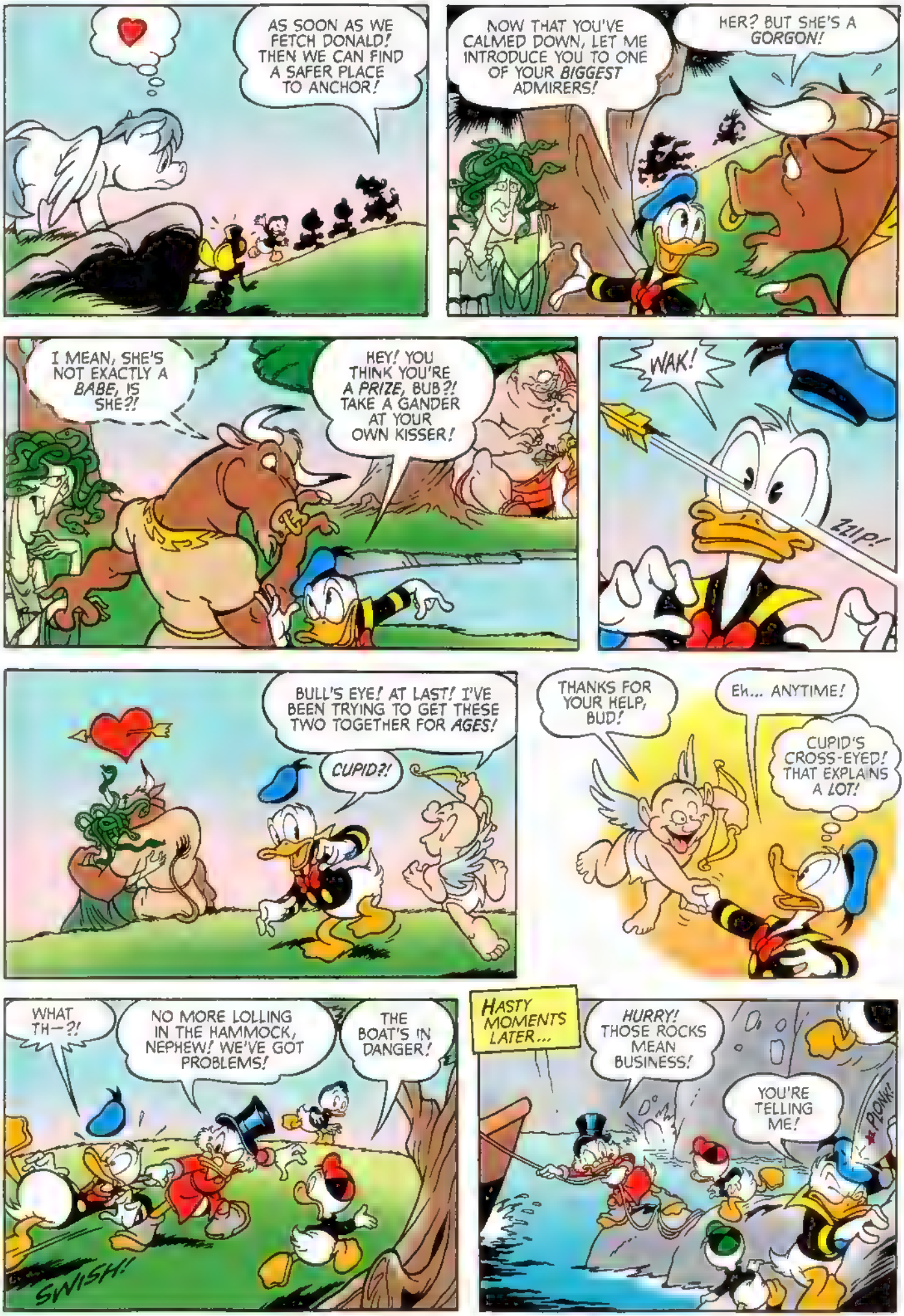
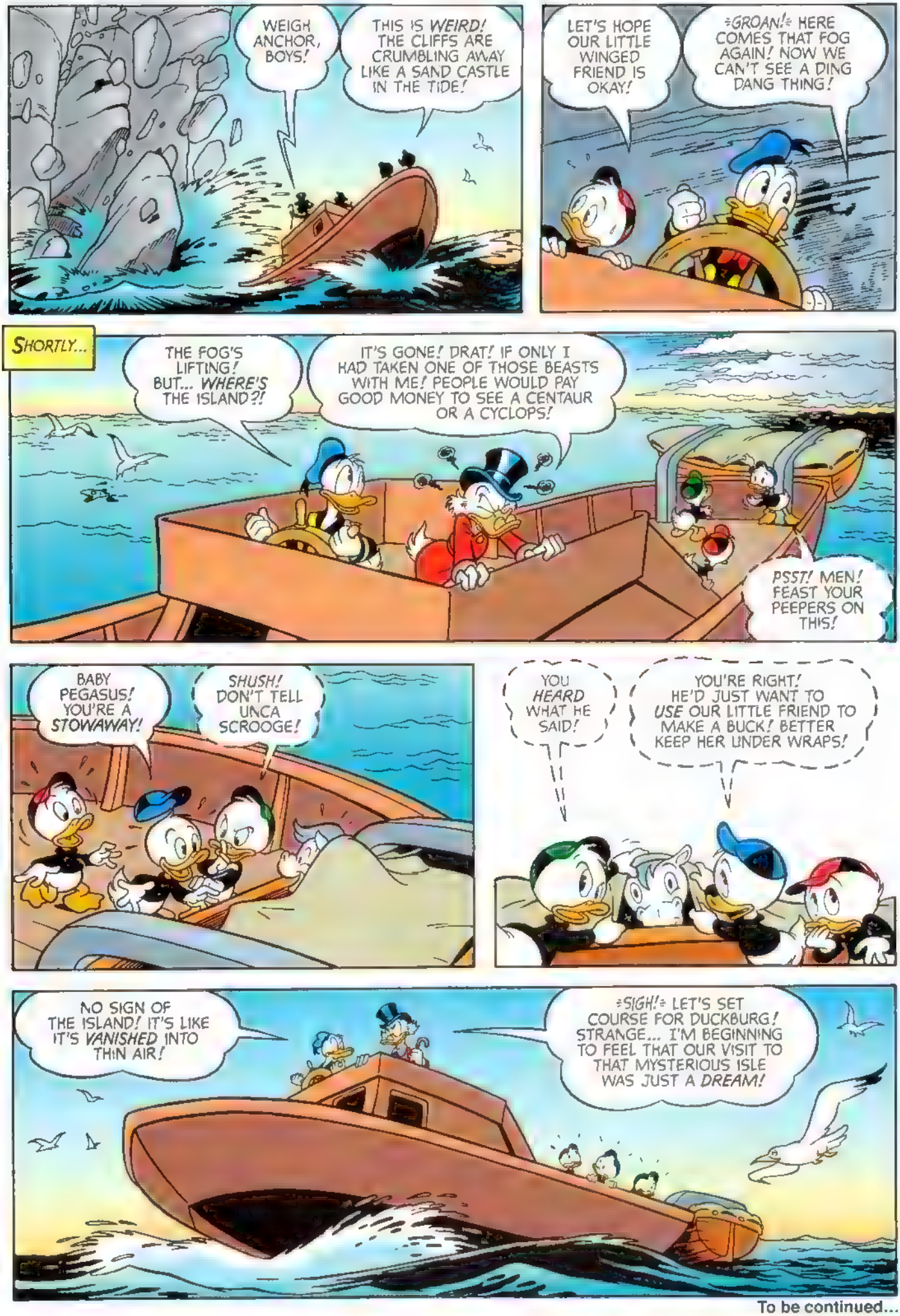

AS SOON AS WE FETCH DONALD! THEN WE CAN FIND A SAFER PLACE TO ANCHOR!
NOW THAT YOU'VE CALMED DOWN, LET ME INTRODUCE YOU TO ONE OF YOUR BIGGEST ADMIRERS!
HER? BUT SHE'S A GORGON!
I MEAN, SHE'S NOT EXACTLY A BABE, IS SHE?!
HEY! YOU THINK YOU'RE A PRIZE, BUB?! TAKE A GANDER AT YOUR OWN KISSER!
WAK!
ZIP!
BULL'S EYE! AT LAST! I'VE BEEN TRYING TO GET THESE TWO TOGETHER FOR AGES!
CUPID?!
THANKS FOR YOUR HELP, BUD!
Eh... ANYTIME!
CUPID'S CROSS-EYED! THAT EXPLAINS A LOT!
WHAT TH—?!
NO MORE LOLLING IN THE HAMMOCK, NEPHEW! WE'VE GOT PROBLEMS!
THE BOAT'S IN DANGER!
SWISH!
HASTY MOMENTS LATER...
HURRY! THOSE ROCKS MEAN BUSINESS!
YOU'RE TELLING ME!
PONK!


WEIGH ANCHOR, BOYS!
THIS IS *WEIRD!* THE CLIFFS ARE CRUMBLING AWAY LIKE A SAND CASTLE IN THE TIDE!
LET'S HOPE OUR LITTLE WINGED FRIEND IS OKAY!
GROAN! HERE COMES THAT FOG AGAIN! NOW WE CAN'T SEE A DING DANG THING!
SHORTLY...
THE FOG'S LIFTING! BUT... *WHERE'S* THE ISLAND?!
IT'S GONE! DRAT! IF ONLY I HAD TAKEN ONE OF THOSE BEASTS WITH ME! PEOPLE WOULD PAY GOOD MONEY TO SEE A CENTAUR OR A CYCLOPS!
PSST! MEN! FEAST YOUR PEEPERS ON THIS!
BABY PEGASUS! YOU'RE A *STOWAWAY!*
SHUSH! DON'T TELL UNCA SCROOGE!
YOU *HEARD* WHAT HE SAID!
YOU'RE RIGHT! HE'D JUST WANT TO *USE* OUR LITTLE FRIEND TO MAKE A BUCK! BETTER KEEP HER UNDER WRAPS!
NO SIGN OF THE ISLAND! IT'S LIKE IT'S *VANISHED* INTO THIN AIR!
SIGH! LET'S SET COURSE FOR DUCKBURG! STRANGE... I'M BEGINNING TO FEEL THAT OUR VISIT TO THAT MYSTERIOUS ISLE WAS JUST A *DREAM!*

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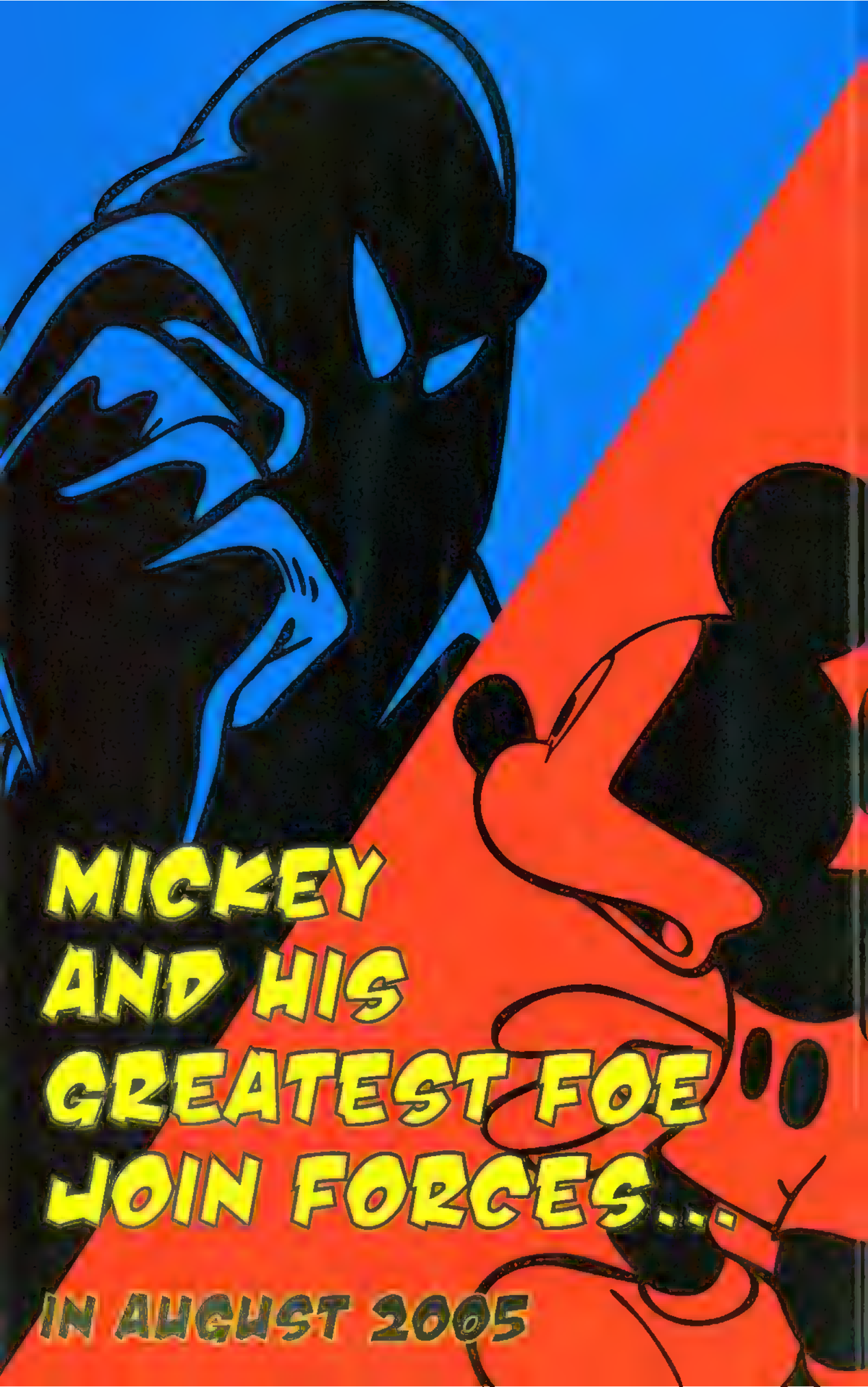
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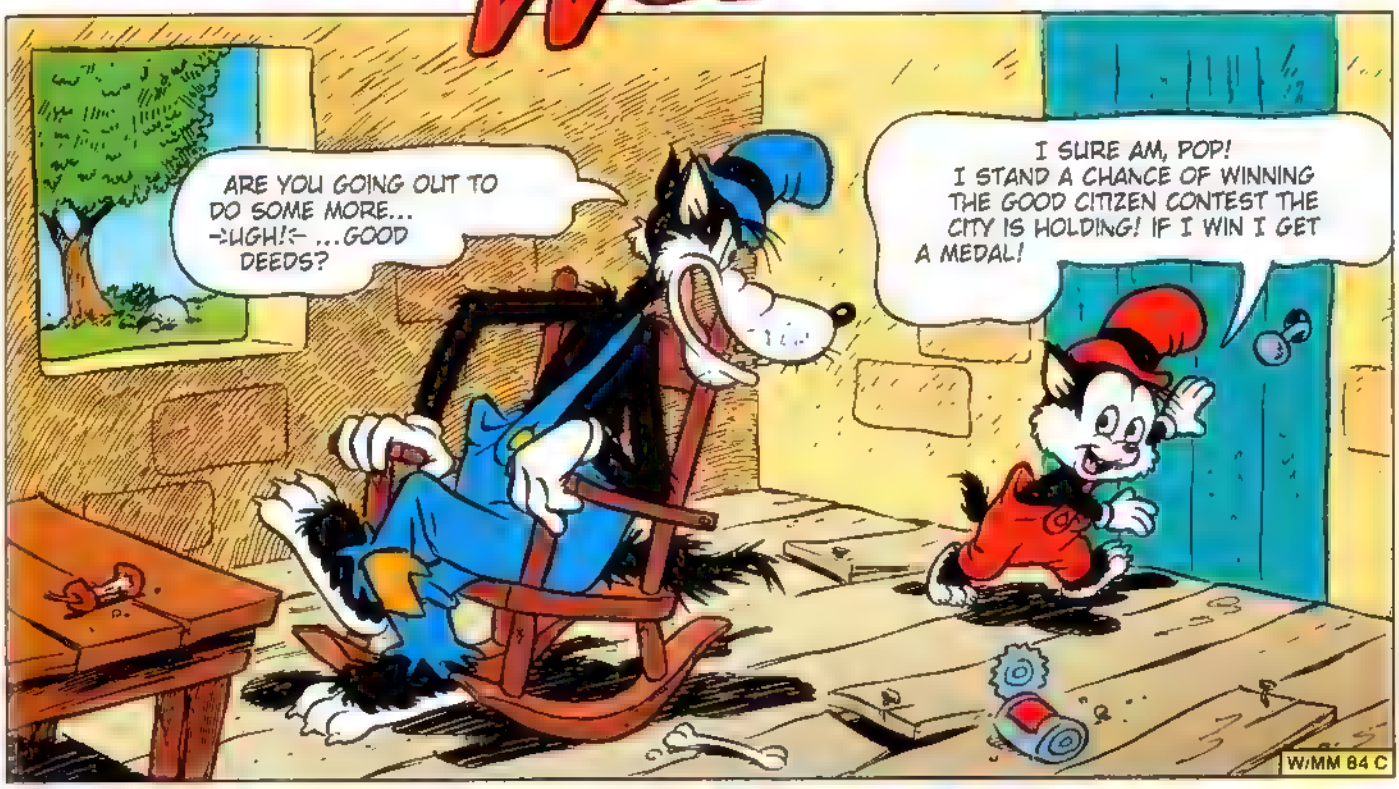
Walt Disney's Li'l Bad Wolf in GOOD DEED DADDY


ARE YOU GOING OUT TO DO SOME MORE... -HIGH!- ...GOOD DEEDS?
I SURE AM, POP! I STAND A CHANCE OF WINNING THE GOOD CITIZEN CONTEST THE CITY IS HOLDING! IF I WIN I GET A MEDAL!
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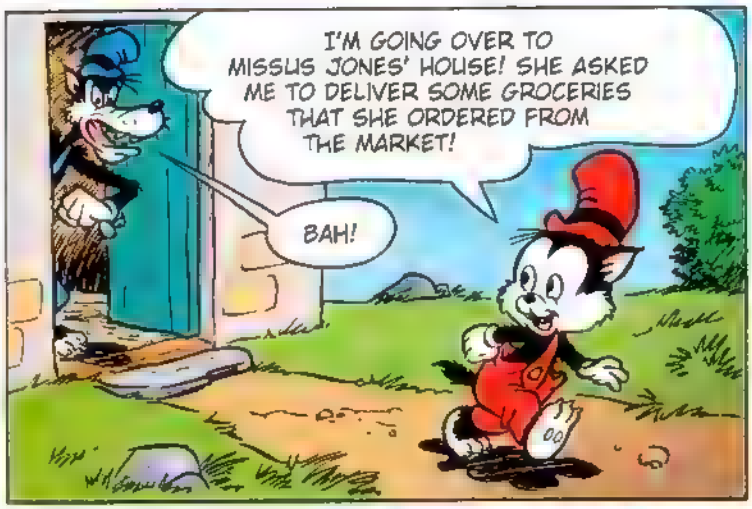
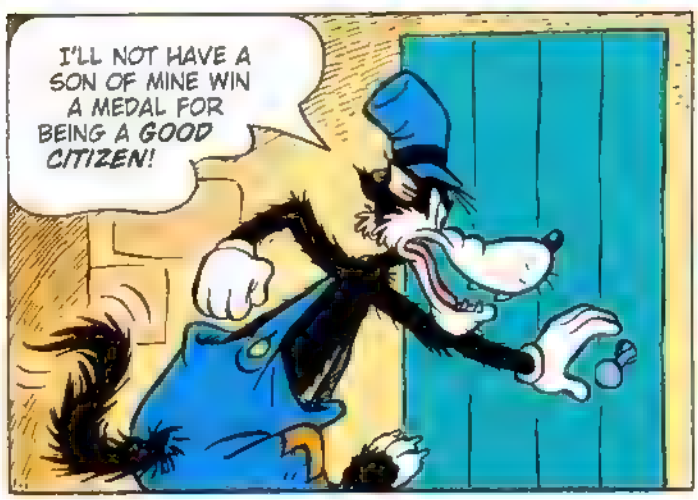
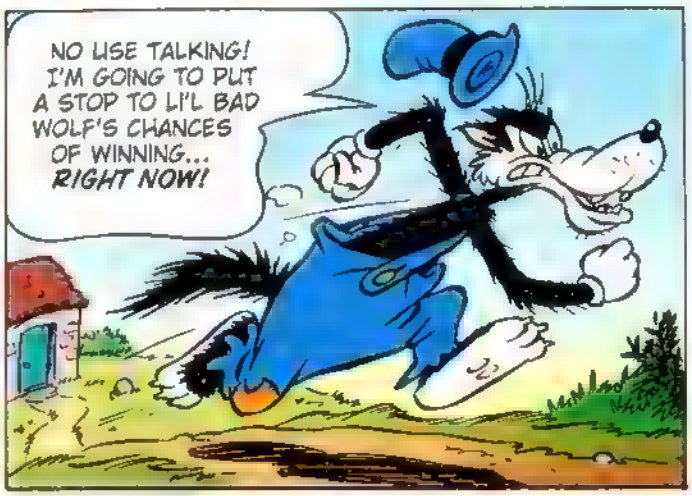
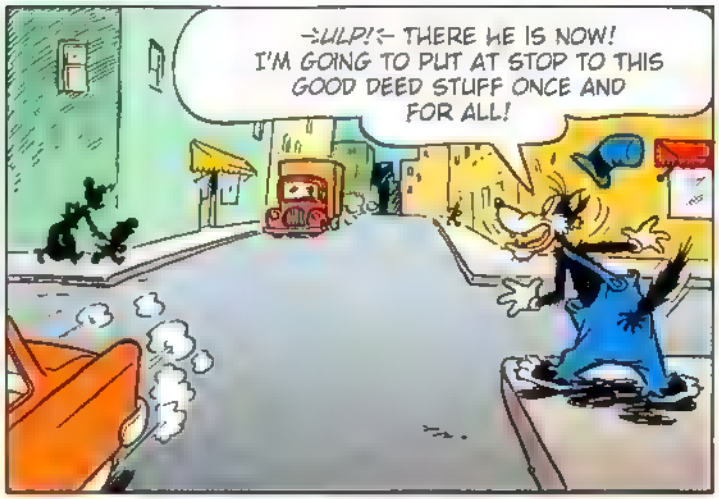


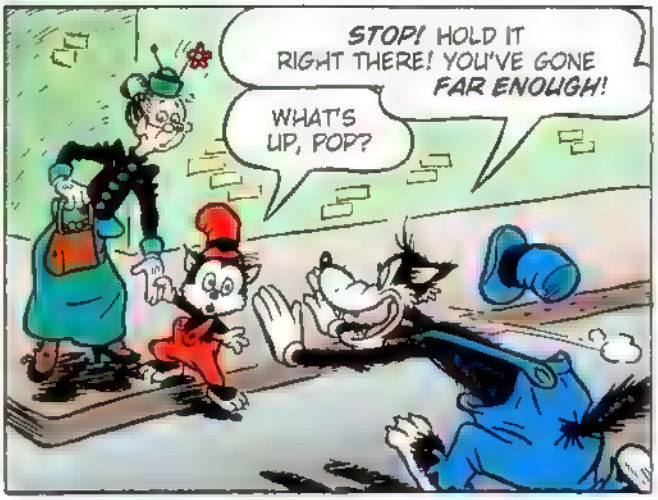


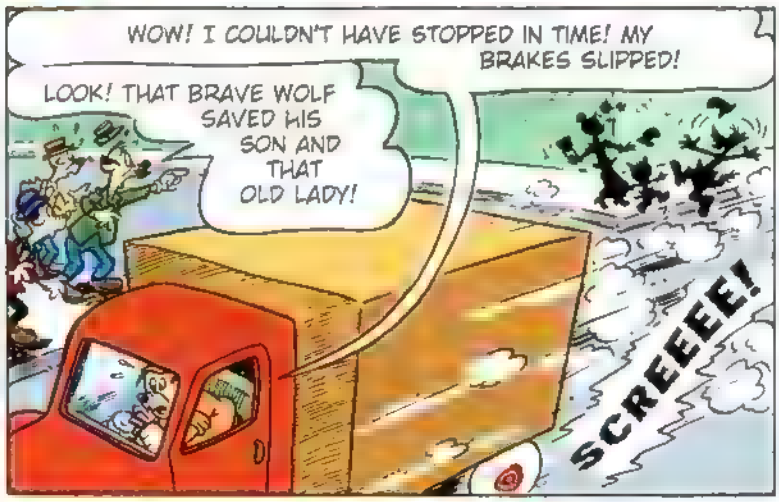


SHORTLY...
HEH, HEH! HE'S ALREADY DELIVERED THOSE TWO BAGS OF GROCERIES TO MISSUS JONES'S BACK DOOR! NOW, I'LL JUST UN-DELIVER THEM!
HEH, HEH! THIS'LL SAVE MY BAD NAME AND FILL MY TUMMY, TOO!
STOP RIGHT THERE!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH THOSE GROCERIES, ZEKE WOLF?
ER.. UH... DELIVERING THEM! YES, MA'AM! MY SON WAS SUPPOSED TO DO IT, BUT HE'S NOT FEELING WELL! SO I'M HELPING HIM DO HIS GOOD DEED!
WELL, HOW COME YOU WERE GOING AWAY WITH THEM?
I WAS JUST GOING TO TAKE THEM TO THE FRONT DOOR! YOU DIDN'T ANSWER HERE AT THE BACK!
THANK YOU! I'M SORRY I MISTRUSTED YOU!
LOOKS LIKE THE BIG BAD WOLF IS TURNING OVER A NEW LEAF! I'LL HAVE TO LET THE NEIGHBORS KNOW ABOUT THIS!
DRAT! MY FIRST ATTEMPT FAILED, BUT I KNOW ANOTHER WAY TO FOUL UP MY BOY'S PLANS! HE SAID HE WAS GOING OVER TO FARMER BROWN'S TO HELP HIM PICK THE ACORNS OFF HIS TREE!
BUT HE CAN'T PICK ACORNS IF THERE'S NOTHING TO PUT THEM IN... AND I'LL MAKE SURE THERE ISN'T!

HEH, HEH, HEH! I'LL TAKE THESE ACORN BUCKETS HOME WITH ME! YOU CAN'T PICK ACORNS WITHOUT A BUCKET!
NOBODY SAW ME, EITHER!
WHACK!
OWWWW!
HEY! WHAT'S GOING ON AROUND HERE?
WERE YOU TRYING TO SWIPE MY BUCKETS?
OH, NO! ER... I WAS JUST KNOCKING DOWN SOME ACORNS TO HELP MY SON! SEE?
I HEARD HE WAS GOING TO PICK SOME FOR YOU, AND I WANTED TO MAKE HIS WORK EASIER! HE'S SUCH A LITTLE TYKE!
THAT'S RIGHT NICE OF YOU, ZEKE! LI'L WOLF WILL BE PROUD OF YOU!
OH, DON'T TELL HIM! I WOULDN'T WANT HIM TO KNOW!
I SURE MISJUDGED THAT WOLF! NOT ONLY IS HE HELPFUL, HE'S HONEST!
LATER...
DRAT! EVERYTHING I'VE TRIED TO DO TO STOP LI'L WOLF HAS BACKFIRED! IF I DON'T DO SOMETHING QUICK, HE'LL WIN THAT CONTEST AND I'LL BE A LAUGHING-STOCK!


=ULP!= THERE HE IS NOW! I'M GOING TO PUT AT STOP TO THIS GOOD DEED STUFF ONCE AND FOR ALL!

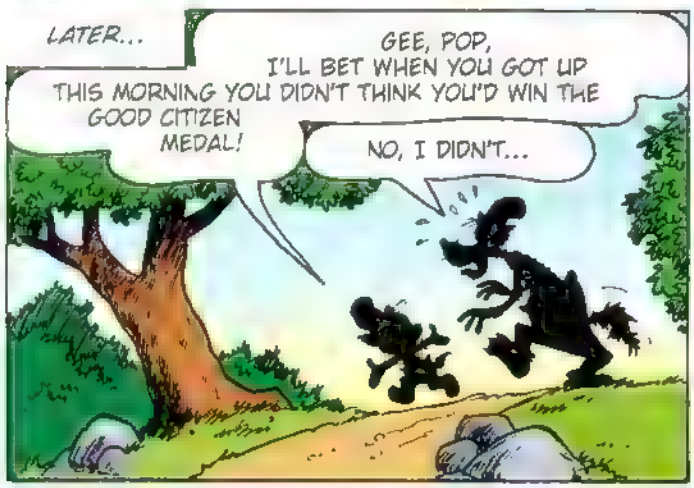

STOP! HOLD IT RIGHT THERE! YOU'VE GONE FAR ENOUGH!
WHAT'S UP, POP?


WOW! I COULDN'T HAVE STOPPED IN TIME! MY BRAKES SLIPPED!
LOOK! THAT BRAVE WOLF SAVED HIS SON AND THAT OLD LADY!
SCREEEE!

THERE HE IS! THERE'S ZEKE WOLF!
YIPE! THE MAYOR! IT LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE FINALLY GOING TO RUN ME OUT OF TOWN!

ZEKE WOLF, THESE MEMBERS OF THE GOOD CITIZENS COMMITTEE AND I HAVE BEEN LOOKING FOR YOU! WE HAD SOME REPORTS THAT YOU HAVE BEEN DOING GOOD DEEDS, BUT WE WANTED TO SEE FOR OURSELVES!

AND NOW WE SEE! YOU RISKED YOUR LIFE TO SAVE OTHERS! I HEREBY NAME YOU THE WINNER OF THE GOOD CITIZENS CONTEST!
HOORAY!


LATER...
GEE, POP, I'LL BET WHEN YOU GOT UP THIS MORNING YOU DIDN'T THINK YOU'D WIN THE GOOD CITIZEN MEDAL!
NO, I DIDN'T...

AND IF I HAD KNOWN, I WOULD HAVE STAYED IN BED! BAH!
TEE, HEE!

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MYTHOS ISLAND: CHAPTER 2

DOC STATIC'S INVITED MICKEY AND GOOFY TO TAKE A SNEAK PEEK AT A NEW INVENTION HE PLANS TO SHOW AT A SCIENCE EXHIBITION...
STATIC SCIENCE LABS
DOC AT WORK
VISIT BY APPOINTMENT ONLY
WHUT KINDA BRILLIANT DOO-HICKEY DO YUH THINK DOC'S COOKED UP THIS TIME? A COMBINED CAN OPENER/ICE MAKER?
WELL, WE'LL FIND OUT IN A MINUTE! ANYWAY, IF IT'S AS AMAZING AS THE THINGS HE'S DESIGNED IN THE PAST, IT'S SURE TO BE A SMASH!
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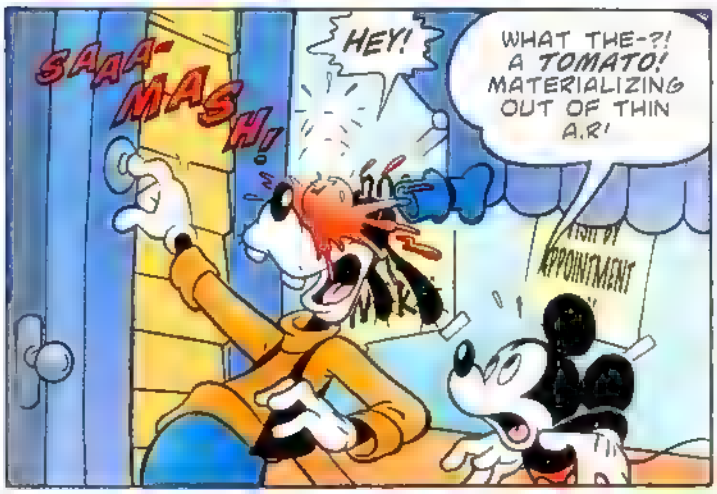
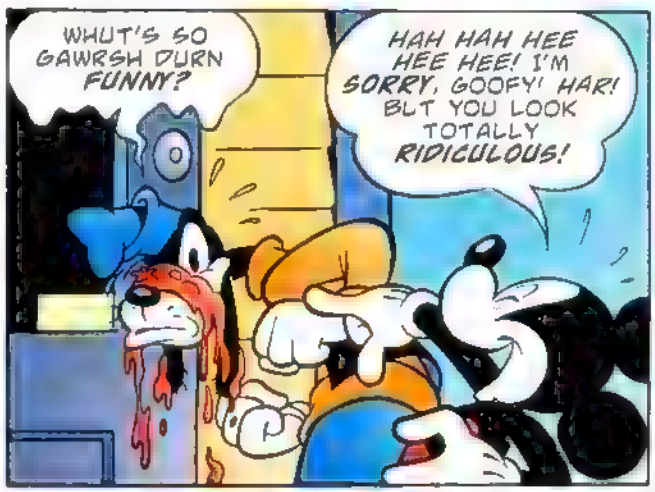
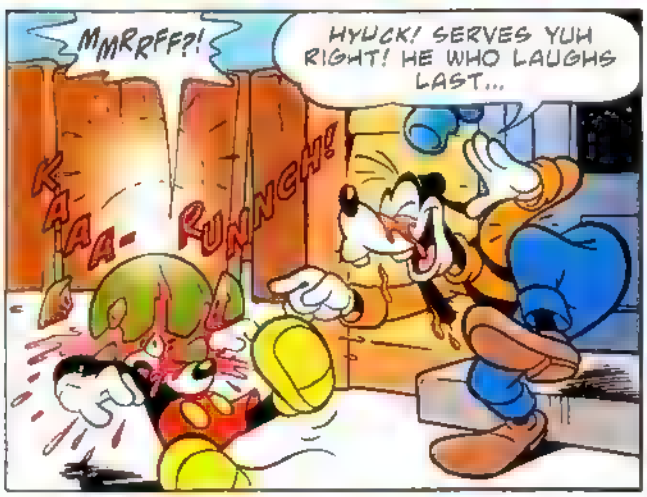
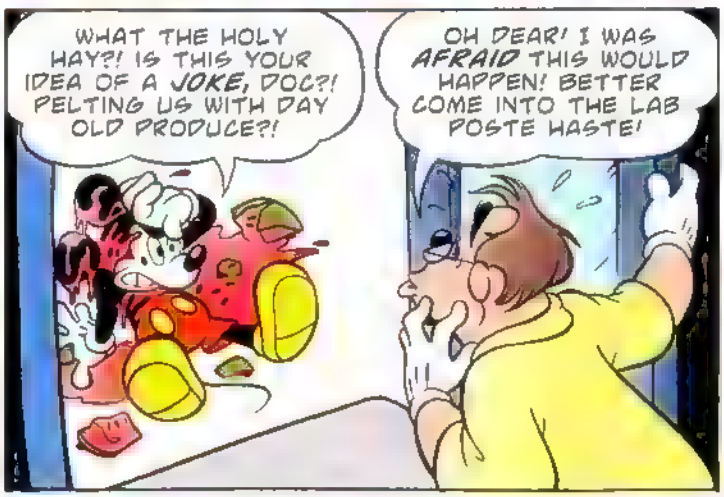






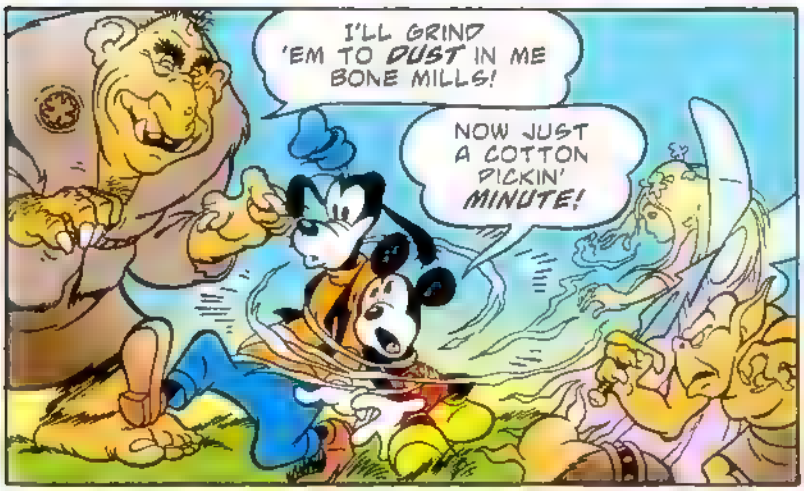

WHAT THE HOLY HAY?! IS THIS YOUR IDEA OF A JOKE, DOC?! PELTING US WITH DAY OLD PRODUCE?!
OH DEAR! I WAS AFRAID THIS WOULD HAPPEN! BETTER COME INTO THE LAB POSTE HASTE!

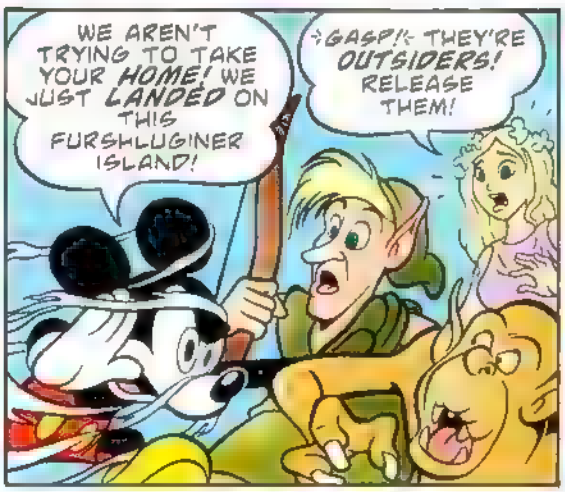
WHAT'S GOING ON AROUND HERE?!
I'M SO SORRY! THIS MISHAP IS DUE TO IMPERFECTIONS IN MY NEW INVENTION... A MATTER TRANSPORTER!
A MATTER TRANSWHUTSIS?
SHHH! THIS IS HUSH-HUSH! WORD THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE HAS IT THAT GYRO GEARLOOSE IS WORKING ON THE SAME SORT OF DEVICE!
GYRO'S A CLEVER CUSS, ALL RIGHT! YOUR SENSE OF PROFESSIONAL COMPETITIVENESS MUST BE IN HIGH GEAR, DOC!
YOU SAID IT! I'D HATE TO BE BEATEN TO THE PUNCH AT THE SCIENCE EXHIBITION!
WHUT'S TH' PROBLEM WITH YER CONTRAPTION, ANYWAY?
I'VE SUCCEEDED IN DECONSTRUCTING THE MOLECULAR COMPOSITION OF AN OBJECT, TRANSPORTING IT, AND HAVING IT RECONSTITUTE PERFECTLY!
UNFORTUNATELY, THE OBJECTS DON'T RECONSTITUTE IN THE RECEIVING MODULE! THEY'RE LIABLE TO APPEAR ANYWHERE!
I GET IT! THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED WITH THE FRUIT AND VEG!
I'LL DEMONSTRATE! KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE BALL!
HOLY CANNOLLI! I CAN'T! IT DISAPPEARED!
FWOOOOM!
WATCH THAT MODULE! THAT'S WHERE IT'S SUPPOSED TO APPEAR...
I DON'T SEE NOTHIN'! WHAR'D IT GET TO?!
HERE WE GO AGAIN! QUICK! BACK OUTSIDE! DOLLARS TO DOUGHNUTS, THE BALL WILL SHOW UP THERE!
YOU'RE RIGHT, DOC! YOU STILL GOT A FEW WRINKLES TO IRON OUT!

DO YUH SEE IT?
NOPE!
I'M SURE IT'LL REAPPEAR AROUND HERE!
HOLY HOPPING MUDPUPPIES! WHAT'S THAT?
BOINK!
!!!
AY! LOOKIE HERE! AN OL' PAPER OR SOMETHIN'!
THERE'S THE BALL! I'LL GET IT!
DIDN'T YOU SEE THAT?
A TINY, WINGED ROBOT... A FLYING FAIRY... DROPPED THAT PAPER
WHATCHA TALKIN' ABOUT, PAL? MUST BE TH' WATERMELON BONKIN' YUH ON TH' NOGGIN!
THIS BLEW IN ON TH' WIND! SEEMS TUH BE SOME SORTA MAP!
IT SURE DOES! A MAP THAT MARKS THE LOCATION OF AN ISLAND! THE WRITING'S OLD AND FUNNY BUT THE CO-ORDINATES ARE CLEAR ENOUGH!
HMMM! SOMETHING WEIRD IS GOING ON HERE! AND I'M JUST THE MOUSE TO GET TO THE BOTTOM OF IT!
C'MON GOOFY! WE'RE GONNA FIND THAT ISLAND! SO LONG, DOC!
YEAH! AND GOOD LUCK WITH YER GIZMO!
I'LL LET YOU BOYS KNOW WHEN I'VE WORKED OUT THE BUGS!

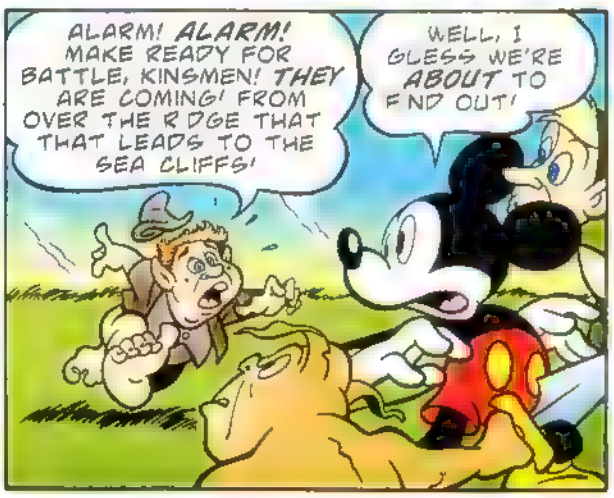
HASTY PREPARATIONS ARE MADE, AND SOON OUR HEROES ARE WINGING THEIR WAY FAR OUT OVER THE OPEN OCEAN...
GEE, GOOFY, I'M FLUMMOXED! THIS IS WHERE THE ISLAND SHOULD BE! BUT WE'VE CIRCLED AROUND AND AROUND AND THERE'S NO SIGN OF IT!
WELL, YUH SAID YERSELF THE ISLAND WASN'T ON ANY CHARTS, MICK! MEBBE TH' MAP'S JUST A BIG PHONY!
AW, CRIMINY! A HUGE FOG BANK'S ROLLING IN! IT'S GOING TO SWALLOW US UP!
MAN O MAN! THIS IS A NIGHTMARE! I'M FLYING BLIND!
QUIT JOSH N'! YUH GOT YER EYES WIDE OPEN!
HOLD THE PHONE! YES! THE FOG'S BEGINNING TO CLEAR! THANK OUR LUCKY STARS!
YAHOO! YUH D'D IT, MICK! YUH FOUND TH' ISLAND!
YOW! TREES! ROCKS! SOLID GROUND! RIGHT BELOW US!
I SURE DID! NOW ALL I HAVE TO DO IS PUT THIS CRATE DOWN WITHOUT CRACKING IT INTO A THOUSAND PIECES!
VREEOOOOOO WWWW!
A FEW BUMPY MOMENTS LATER..
PHEW! I GOTTA HAND IT TO YUH, PAL! THET WUZ SOME FLYIN'!
IT WAS THE LANDING THAT HAD ME WORRIED! WOW! LOOK AT THIS FOREST! LIKE SOMETHING OUT OF A STORY BOOK!
INTRUDERS! PREPARE TO ATTACK!

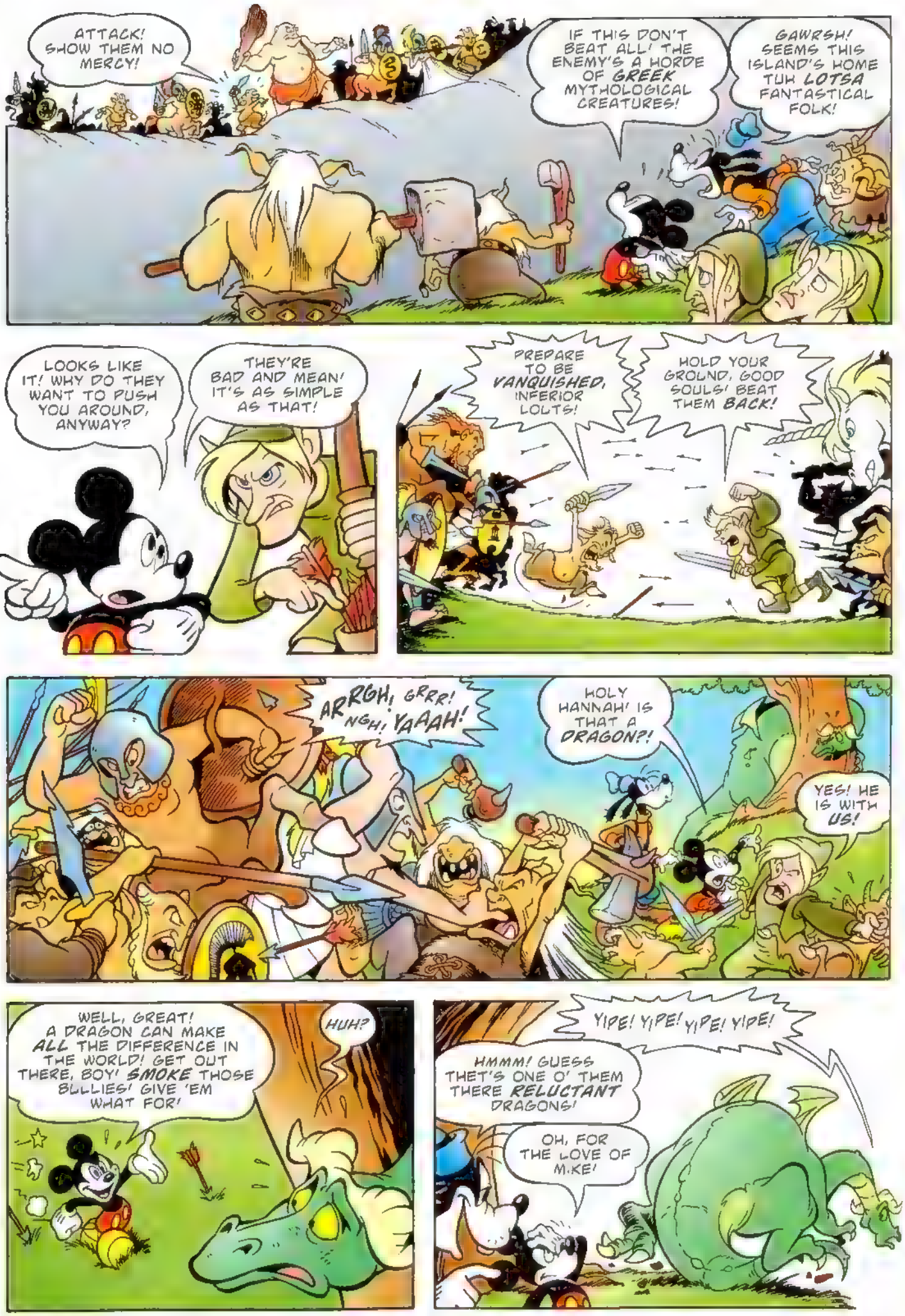
IN THE NAME OF ALL THE SACRED PLACES, LET NOT THESE TRESPASSERS DRIVE US FROM OUR HOME!
SEIZE THE LOUTS!
MICKEY?! I THINK WE'RE IN TROUBLE!
GREAT GALLOPING GOBLINS! CAN IT BE? THE PLACE IS POPULATED WITH MAGICAL CREATURES STRAIGHT OUT OF OLD ENGLISH FAIRY TALES!
I'LL BIND THEM IN STRANDS OF GOSSAMER!


I'LL GRIND 'EM TO DUST IN ME BONE MILLS!
NOW JUST A COTTON PICKIN' MINUTE!

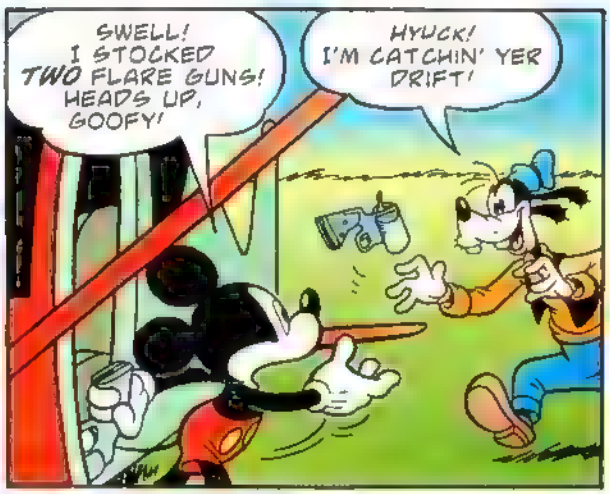

WE AREN'T TRYING TO TAKE YOUR HOME! WE JUST LANDED ON THIS FURSHLUGINER ISLAND!
GASP! THEY'RE OUTSIDERS! RELEASE THEM!

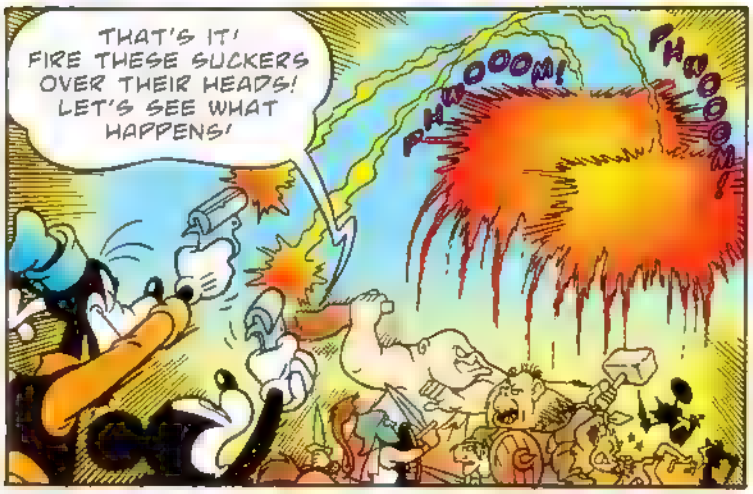
GOOD STRANGERS! WE MISTOOK YOU FOR SCOUTS FROM THE ENEMY CAMP! A THOUSAND PARDONS!
HYUCK! THINK NOTHIN' OF IT!
NOT SO FAST! WHO IS THIS SO-CALLED ENEMY, ANYWAY?

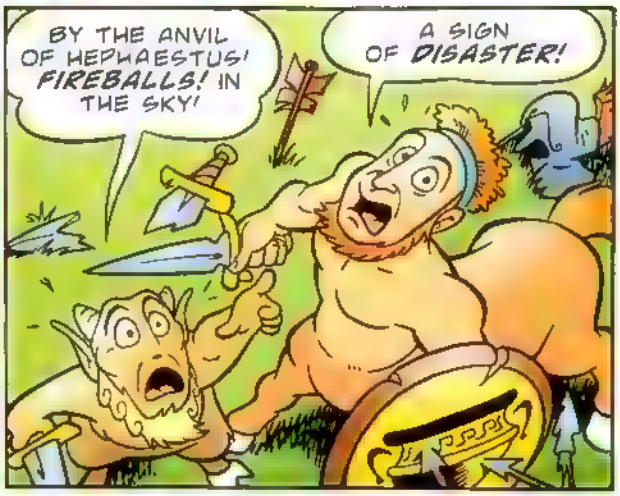

ALARM! ALARM! MAKE READY FOR BATTLE, KINSMEN! THEY ARE COMING! FROM OVER THE RIDGE THAT THAT LEADS TO THE SEA CLIFFS!
WELL, I GUESS WE'RE ABOUT TO FIND OUT!

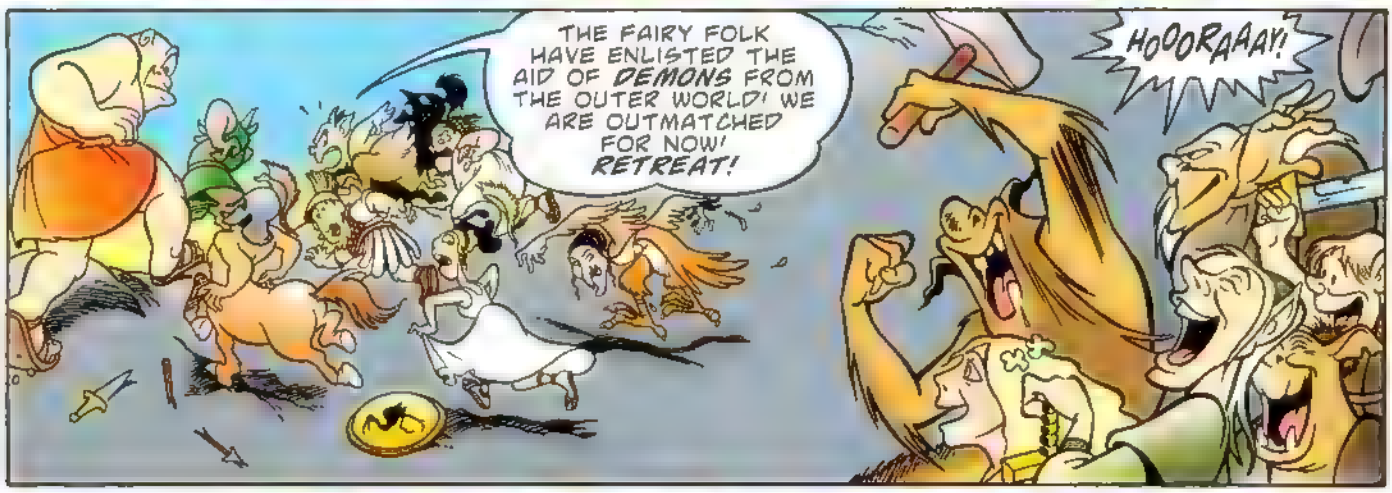

ATTACK! SHOW THEM NO MERCY!
IF THIS DON'T BEAT ALL! THE ENEMY'S A HORDE OF GREEK MYTHOLOGICAL CREATURES!
GAWRSH! SEEMS THIS ISLAND'S HOME TUH LOTSA FANTASTICAL FOLK!
LOOKS LIKE IT! WHY DO THEY WANT TO PUSH YOU AROUND, ANYWAY?
THEY'RE BAD AND MEAN! IT'S AS SIMPLE AS THAT!
PREPARE TO BE VANQUISHED, INFERIOR LOUTS!
HOLD YOUR GROUND, GOOD SOULS! BEAT THEM BACK!
ARRGH! GRRR! NGH! YAAAH!
HOLY HANNAH! IS THAT A DRAGON?!
YES! HE IS WITH US!
WELL, GREAT! A DRAGON CAN MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE IN THE WORLD! GET OUT THERE, BOY! SMOKE THOSE BULLIES! GIVE 'EM WHAT FOR!
HUH?
YIPE! YIPE! YIPE! YIPE!
HMMM! GUESS THET'S ONE O' THEM THERE RELUCTANT DRAGONS!
OH, FOR THE LOVE OF MIKE!

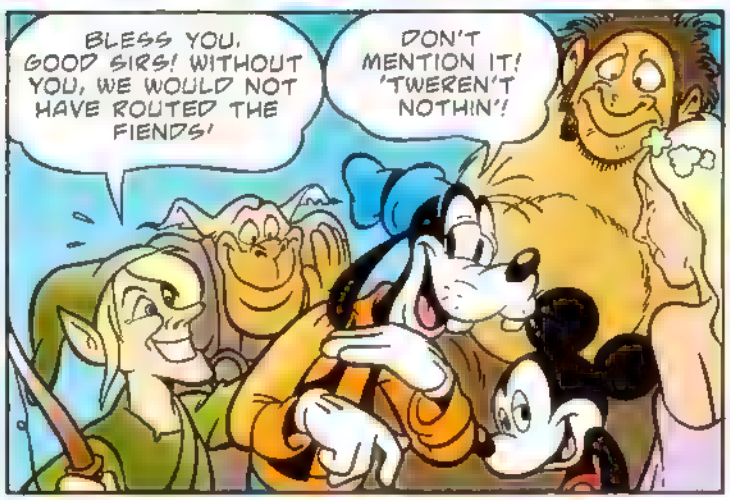
COME ON! WE'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING TO HELP OUR NEW FRIENDS FEND OFF THOSE CREEPS!
I'M RIGHT BEHIND YUH, MICK!

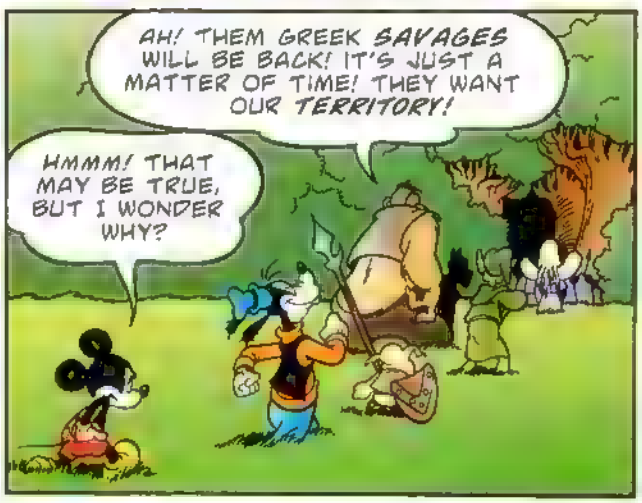

SWELL! I STOCKED TWO FLARE GUNS! HEADS UP, GOOFY!
HYUCK! I'M CATCHIN' YER DRIFT!


THAT'S IT! FIRE THESE SUCKERS OVER THEIR HEADS! LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS!
PHWOOOM!
PHWOOOM!


BY THE ANVIL OF HEPHAESTUS! FIREBALLS! IN THE SKY!
A SIGN OF DISASTER!


THE FAIRY FOLK HAVE ENLISTED THE AID OF DEMONS FROM THE OUTER WORLD! WE ARE OUTMATCHED FOR NOW! RETREAT!
HOOORAAAY!


BLESS YOU, GOOD SIRS! WITHOUT YOU, WE WOULD NOT HAVE ROUTED THE FIENDS!
DON'T MENTION IT! 'TWEREN'T NOTHIN'!


AH! THEM GREEK SAVAGES WILL BE BACK! IT'S JUST A MATTER OF TIME! THEY WANT OUR TERRITORY!
HMMM! THAT MAY BE TRUE, BUT I WONDER WHY?

SHORTLY..
WHY SO SNEAKY WITH THESE BLANKETS WE TOOK OUTTA TH' PLANE?
WE'RE MAKING A DISGUISE TO INFILTRATE THE ENEMY! AND I DON'T WANT OUR NEW PALS TO GET THE WRONG IDEA!
ARE YOU MAKING A DISGUISE? WHAT FUN! CAN WE HELP?
SHEESH! OKAY! BUT PLEASE DON'T LET ON TO THE OTHERS!
TRUST US! WE'LL USE OUR SHIMMERING GOSSAMER FOR THREAD!
WOW! YOU FAIRIES ARE AMAZING! IT'S LIKE MAGIC!
GIGGLE! IT IS MAGIC!
GOLLY! THIS OUTFIT IS PERFECT! THANKS!
OUR PLEASURE! BYE!
REMEMBER! MUM'S TH' WORD!
HALT! WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
POSTED SENTRIES, EH?! EXCELLENT! KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!
OKAY! WE'RE OUT OF SIGHT! TIME TO CLIMB INTO THIS COSTUME!
OKEE-DOKE! BUT YOU TAKE THE BACK...
...AS YUH ALWAYS WANTS TO GET TO TH' BOTTOM O'THINGS!
SIGH! I CAN LIVE WITH LOUSY JOKES AS LONG AS WE CAN PASS OURSELVES OFF AS A GENUINE CENTAUR!

SHH! KEEP QUIET AND BLEND IN! MAYBE WE CAN CATCH A CLUE AS TO WHY THIS GREEK BUNCH IS SO AGGRESSIVE!
I DON'T CARE IF THEY DO HAVE A COUPLE OF DEMONS ON THEIR SIDE! WE'VE GOT TO GO BACK AND TAKE THEIR LAND!
MUST WE? IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE A NICE THING TO DO!
DON'T BE A FOOL! YOU KNOW WE HAVEN'T A CHOICE! THE CLIFFS ARE...
...CRUMBLING, MORE FOR EACH DAY! SOON OUR HOME WILL BE GONE!
SO THAT'S IT! THEY'RE BEING FORCED TO RELOCATE!
SO! ARE WE ALL IN AGREEMENT?
UH...SHUCKS! WHUTEVER YUH SAY, BUB!
?!!
BY THE THUNDERBOLTS OF ZEUS! A CENTAUR...WITH THE FACE OF A M.SER-ABLE, MANGY DAWG!
HEY! I RESEMBLE THET REMARK!
UH-OH!
THE JIG IS UP! RUN FOR IT, GOOFY! RUN!
SPIES! RIGHT IN OUR MIDST! AFTER THEM!

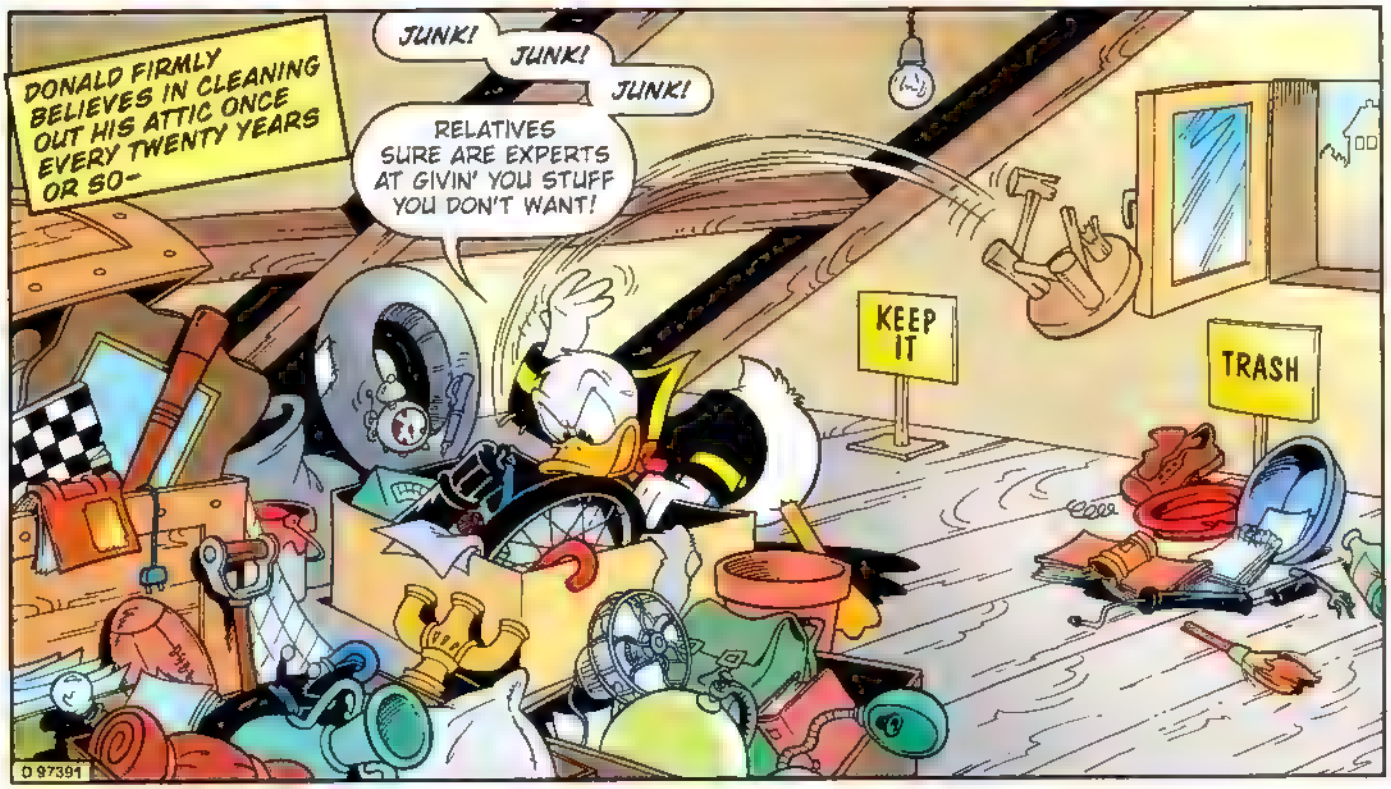
ARE THEY STILL COMIN'?
YES! KEEP GOING! FASTER!
GASP! A CENTAUR! IT'S AN ATTACK!
CHARGE 'EM, UNI! I'LL WARN THE OTHERS!
SNORT!
YEEOOOWWCH!
SAA-NAAP!
ARE YOU OUT OF YOUR EVER LOVIN' MIND?! IT'S ME! I'M PRACTICALLY PERFORATED, THANKS TO YOU!
?!
DON'T LOOK NOW, MICK.
...BUT I THINK THINGS'RE ABOUT TUH BOIL OVER!
CAST THE GREEKS OUT ONCE AND FOR ALL!
OVER-POWER THE ENGLISH! MOW THEM DOWN!
STOP! STOP! STOP! STOP! YOU BOOBS DON'T HAVE TO FIGHT! THIS CAN ALL BE WORKED OUT! I PROMISE!
WHAT?
HOW?
YOU GUYS JUST NEED TO COMMUNICATE! ALL IT TAKES IS A LITTLE UNDERSTANDING AND GOOD-WILL! EVERY-BODY FOLLOW ME!

SEE? THEIR LAND'S CRUMBLING AWAY! SOON THEY'LL BE HOMELESS! DON'T YOU THINK THERE'S SOME WAY YOU COULD ..
SAY NO MORE, FRIEND!
NOW THAT WE COMPREHEND YOUR PLIGHT, WE ARE ONLY TOO GLAD TO SHARE OUR PORTION OF THE ISLAND WITH YOU!
WHY.. WE HAVE NO WORDS TO THANK YOU ENOUGH, FRIEND!
COME! LET US RETURN TO OUR HOME!
WELL, I RECKON THET WRAPS IT ALL UP! WE'RE DONE, MICK!
ARE MY EYES PLAYING TRICKS ON ME?! GOOFY! LOOK OVER THERE!
THAT SECTION OF CLIFF... IT FELL INTO THE SEA LONG AGO... BUT ..
I SEE IT, MICK!
TH' WHOLE SHEBANG IS COMIN' BACK! AS IF IT WUZ NEVER GONE IN TH' FIRST PLACE!
WHAT DOES IT MEAN?
MAYBE THE ANSWER TO THAT RIDDLE LIES THERE, ON YONDER TEMPESTUOUS PEAK?! THINGS THAT REMAIN A MYSTERY!
GOOFY...WE'VE GOT TO FIND OUT WHAT'S UP THERE!

SO LONG FOR A WHILE, FOLKS! GOOFY AND I ARE GONNA DO SOME INVESTIGATING! BUT WE'LL BE BACK AGAIN!
NOW TO CIRCLE THAT MYSTERIOUS MOUNTAIN PEAK AND GET A BIRD'S EYE VIEW!
OH, NO! THE FOG'S BACK!
LOOKS LIKE WE'RE SOCKED IN AGAIN!
SOME TIME LATER...
WE'VE BEEN FLYING AROUND IN CIRCLES WAITING FOR A BREAK IN THE WEATHER! BUT THE FOG IS FINALLY LIFTING...
AWP! WHAT HAPPENED TO THE ISLAND?! IT SHOULD BE RIGHT BELOW US BUT, IT'S GONE!
GUESS WE AIN'T GOT NO CHOICE, MICK! TIME TUH HEAD HOME!
OKAY! BUT AT LEAST I'VE GOT THE UNICORN HORN AS A...HEH...PAINFUL SOUVENIR OF OUR ADVENTURE! WITH IT WE'LL NEVER FORGET THIS PLACE!

To be continued...

Walt Disney's DONALD DUCK in THE UNDISCOVERED TREASURE


DONALD FIRMLY BELIEVES IN CLEANING OUT HIS ATTIC ONCE EVERY TWENTY YEARS OR SO-
JUNK!
JUNK!
JUNK!
RELATIVES SURE ARE EXPERTS AT GIVIN' YOU STUFF YOU DON'T WANT!
KEEP IT
TRASH
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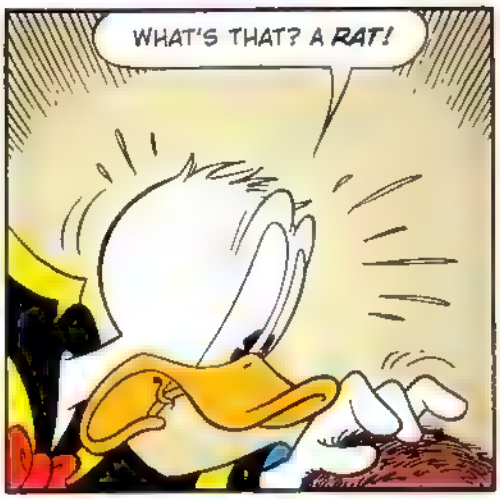

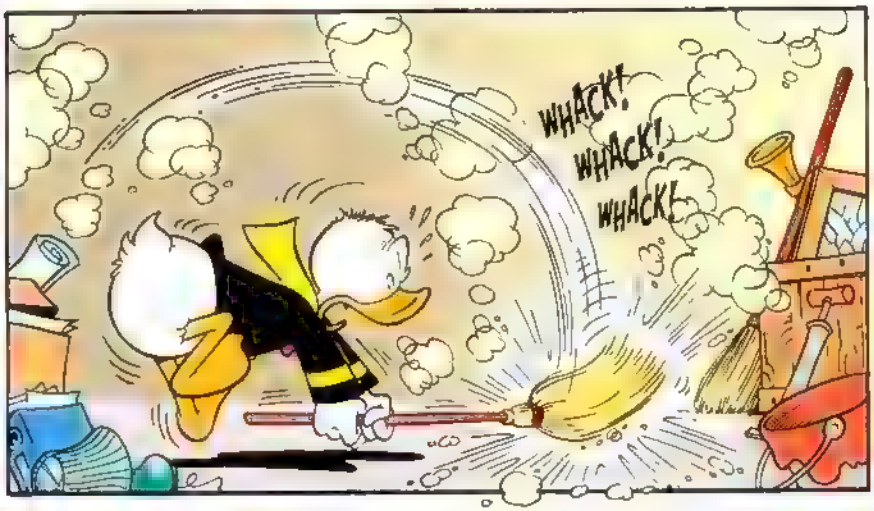

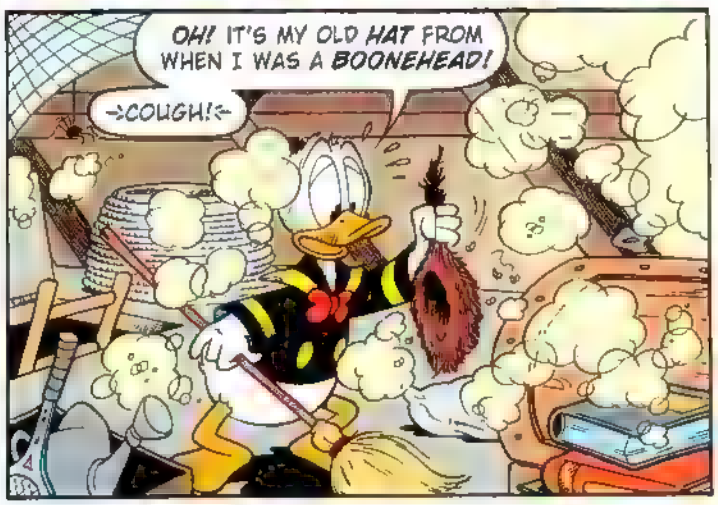

AS THIS OL' CAP ALWAYS BROUGHT ME GOOD LUCK, MAYBE IT'LL HELP ME CLEAR THE ATTIC QUICKER!
I'VE BEEN LOOKING FORWARD TO OUR SCAVENGER HUNT ALL YEAR, FELLOW WOODCHUCKS!
YES, GENERAL HUEY! NOW WE CAN MAKE GOOD USE OF OUR COMPASS AND MAP READING SKILLS!
LISTEN UP, WOODCHUCK TROOPERS! OUR THEME FOR THIS YEAR'S HUNT IS PIRATE TREASURE!
YAY!
SO EVERY WOODCHUCK ADVENTURER GETS AN OLD FASHIONED TREASURE MAP!
UH-OH! A SPARE MAP BLOWS IN THROUGH A CERTAIN DUCK'S OPEN ATTIC WINDOW–
PILE ONTO THE WAGON, TROOPERS, AND WE'LL PROCEED TO OUR SCAVENGER HUNT LOCATION!
JUNIOR WOODCHUCK TROOP A
OOFF! JOLLY OL' UNCLE ROGER'S TRUNK'S BEEN SITTIN' UP HERE SINCE GOODNESS KNOWS WHEN!
I FORGET WHAT'S IN THIS OL' THING! SAILOR STUFF I GUESS! ARGH! WHADALOTTA DUST!
SAY! WHAT'S THIS? A MAP! WHY, I'M SURE I HAVEN'T SEEN THIS BEFORE!

BOY, OH, BOY! A TREASURE MAP! THIS FILTHY OL' ATTIC CAN WAIT UNTIL I FIND THE LOOT AND CAN PAY SOMEONE TO CLEAN THE MESS!
YOU HAVEN'T LET ME DOWN YET!
LET'S GO DIG UP THAT PIRATE'S GOLD!
SMACK!
LET'S SEE...THAT'S ABOUT IT! SHOVEL...PICK, ROPE...MAP...
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A SACK! I NEED A BIG SACK TO BRING HOME THE LOOT!
UH-OH! I LEFT MY TREASURE MAP ON THE SEAT OF MY CAR! SOMEONE MIGHT SEE IT...
KNOCK! KNOCK!
NOW WHO WOULD COME KNOCKING ON MY DOOR AT THIS TIME OF DAY?
SLAM!
YIKES! A PIRATE!

HE MUST BE HERE BECAUSE OF THE MAP!
THOSE PIRATES ARE A RESOURCEFUL LOT... BUT THEY WON'T CATCH ME!
VROOOM!
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BROTHER! YOU MEET ALL KINDS OF NUTS IN THE CRUISE BUSINESS!
Pirate Cruise Lines
SO NOW THE RACE IS ON! BUT WHO'LL REACH THE TREASURE FIRST? THE JUNIOR WOODCHUCKS OR DONALD?
HMM! THIS HUGE GREEN SPOT ON THE MAP LOOKS LIKE A BIG FOREST!
THE BLACK FOREST RIGHT OUTSIDE DUCKBURG! JUST THE PLACE TO HIDE TREASURE FROM MARAUDING PIRATES!
MEANWHILE, IN THE WOODS, NEARBY—
ALL RIGHT, ME HEARTIES! LET'S CLEAN UP CAMP, DOUSE THAT FIRE AND HEAD OUT!
LET'S GET INTO THE SPIRIT OF PIRACY WITH A SONG, BOYS!
SIXTEEN MEN ON A DEAD MAN'S CHEST! YO-HO-HO AND A BOTTLE OF RUM!
YO-HO-HO AND A BOTTLE OF RUM!
WHAT'S THAT SINGING... IT'S... IT'S...

PIRATES! -GULP!-
YO-HO-HO!
YO-HO-HO!
MAN, OH MAN! THAT PESKY PIRATE MUSTA FOLLOWED ME OUT HERE!
SIXTEEN MEN ON A DEAD MAN'S CHEST!
YO-HO-HO!
AN' NOW HE'S BROUGHT SOME OF HIS PALS ALONG TOO!
YO-
HO-
HO!
ZOOOM!
I'D BETTER HIDE HERE FOR A WHILE!
I DON'T HEAR 'EM ANY MORE! SAFE AT LAST!
GROWL!
GROWL!
NOW WILD ANIMALS ARE AFTER ME!

OH...HEH-HEH! IT'S JUST MY STOMACH!
GROWL!
GOSH! I'M HUNGRY!
I FORGOT ALL ABOUT BRINGING FOOD!
WHAT'S THAT I SMELL?
SNIFF!
WHAT A WONDERFUL WHIFF! BUT I BETTER MAKE SURE IT'S NOT A PIRATE FEAST!
SNIFF! SNIFF!
NOPE! JUST A COUPLE HAVING A QUIET PICNIC LUNCH!
I KNOW! I'LL USE MY LUCKY HAT TO GET SOME VITTLES!
WHO CAN HELP BUT FEED A HELPLESS LITTLE ANIMAL?
SQUEAK! SQUEAK!
?
SQUEAK! SQUEAK!
OH MY GOSH! LOOK AT THAT UGLY THING!
IT MUST HAVE MANGE!
I'M SURE THEY'LL GIVE SOME GOODIES TO THIS CUTE CREATURE!
DON'T WORRY DEAR! I'LL DRIVE THE BEAST OFF!
WHAT?

WHACK!
BONK!
BAM!
MAYBE I CAN FIND SOME ROOTS OR BERRIES...
SAY! THIS MUST BE THE POINTY HILL ON MY MAP!
LET'S SEE--"TEN PACES DUE SOUTH TO TURTLE ROCK!" SAY, THOSE ROCKS LOOK JUST LIKE THREE TURTLE SHELLS!
AN' WHADDAYA KNOW, THERE THEY ARE! THEN THIRTY PACES EAST, THAT MEANS THATAWAY!
UH-OH!
TWENTY-THREE...
TWENTY-FOUR...
...TWENTY-FI-I-I-I-IVE...
WELL, AT LEAST I'VE FOUND SOME FOOD! CHOMP! CHOMP!

LATER-
BOOM!
OH, MAN! THUNDER AN' LIGHTN.N' USUALLY MEANS...
...RAIN!
THIS DUMB HAT MUSTA GOTTEN THE LUCK BEATEN OUTTA IT!
STILL, I'LL USE MY BOONEHEAD SKILLS AND MAKE AN UMBRELLA OUT OF LEAVES!
GRAND! THIS WORKS JUST SWELL!
NOT A DROP OF WATER TOUCHING ME OR MY MAP!
GEE! I'M GETTING KINDA ITCHY THOUGH!
WOODCHUCK ADVICE- NEVER USE POISON IVY LEAVES TO FASHION AN UMBRELLA!
SCRATCH!
SCRITCH!
A DOZEN OR SO MISHAPS LATER-
I'M DONE FOR! I'D GIVE UP AND GO HOME IF I KNEW WHICH WAY HOME WAS!

GEE, LOOK AT THAT BIG X ON THE GROUND!
WHY...X MARKS THE SPOT! IT'S HERE! I'M RICH!
I LOST MY SHOVEL...BUT WHO NEEDS A SHOVEL?!
AAARGH! A GHOST GUARDING THE TREASURE!
HARDLY A GHOST, SIR! BUT YOU'RE QUITE RIGHT, I AM GUARDING THE TREASURE!
MR. WORMSLEY!
THE SCHOOL LIBRARIAN!
YES, BOYS! CONGRATULATIONS! YOU'VE FOUND THE TREASURE!
HEY! WHADDAYA MEAN, BUSTER! I FOUND IT!
I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT, MY BOY! THEREFORE YOU SHOULD GET FIRST CHOICE!

FIRST CHOICE? CHOICE OF WHAT?!
MR. DUCK, MY WOODCHUCK TROOPERS ARE ON A PIRATE SCAVENGER HUNT TODAY!
AND YOU GET FIRST CHOICE AMONGST THESE CLASSIC ADVENTURE STORIES!
BOOKS?!
OH, BROTHER!
AS EVENING FALLS THE WOODCHUCKS SET UP CAMP AND SETTLE DOWN WITH THEIR NEW FOUND "TREASURES"–
BOY, IS "TOM SAWYER" A SWELL STORY!
YEAH! AN' HOW 'BOUT "CALL OF THE WILD"?
SAY, WHAT BOOK DID YOU PICK, UNCA DONALD?
NONE OF YOUR DOGGONE BUSINESS!
PIRATES! BAH!
Treasure Island
BUT IF ONLY DONALD SAW WHAT WAS UNDERNEATH THE BIG ROCK–
JEEZ! HOW DUMB CAN YOU GET? HOW COULD I BELIEVE I'D EVER FIND BURIED TREASURE?

"Chattering Chiclets! Davy Jones' Locker!"—Donald Duck, self-shanghaied sub-mariner, from Pat and Shelly Block's "Duck of the Deep," in *Walt Disney's Comics and Stories* 653. And from Mr. Jones' sub-sea storage facility, at last, comes this long-awaited story; proof that all things come to he or she who waits... or would that be "treads water"?

There is one additional anecdote concerning the genesis of this tale. At a convention, Pat and Shelly (two of the most friendly and gracious persons you could ever meet) asked this lowly fan and letter-hack if there were any specific types of story he'd like to see. Being a big fan of the 1960s sci-fi TV series *Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea,* I suggested a submarine adventure for the Ducks. The result was "Duck of the Deep" and, to my delight, Pat and Shelly were kind enough to name the submarine after me; though, happily, I was "commissioned" long after 1941!

As with both Don Rosa and William Van Horn, there is something uniquely pleasing about Pat Block's rendition of the Ducks. Beyond that, he demonstrates considerable artistic skills in depicting a spectacular "submarine special effects scene" on pages 11-12, where Don's sub is captured and taken in tow. Even the crabs, a totally different species from both humans and Disney-style ducks and dogs, are drawn in such a way to simultaneously garner sympathy and command respect.

The story itself is one so sweeping that it can be at home not only in the modern era, but in the environmentally conscious early seventies of Carl Barks' Jr. Woodchuck efforts, and even a few years earlier when TV's submarine, Seaview, battled "lobster men" and the like. A supreme achievement for Pat and Shelly Block, and a good time under the sea for us all!

—Joe Torcivia
via email

Another Duck heavy issue, but it was at least a change of pace from the past two issues. While "Duck of the Deep" is a very good story, why isn't it in *Donald Duck and Friends*? Long stories like this should not be in *WDC&S*. I noticed that the lettering was very "boring," meaning the lack of exclamation points. Word balloons rarely end with periods, but this story had them all over the place (very similar to Walter Lantz stories in the 1940s and early 1950s *New Funnies*), making the dialogue lack the excitement it should have.

It was a real change of pace to finally see a decent contemporary Mickey story in the book, benefitting both from Don Markstein's script and Noel Van Horn's art. I do think it was too fast-paced towards the end, and could have benefitted from 12 pages instead of 10.

The very first Li'l Bad Wolf story was nice to see again, especially with Janice Miller's coloring. It really blends nicely with Carl Buettner's wonderful art. I also liked the Chip 'n' Dale story by Harvey Eisenberg, and I'm glad that they are showing up more often. I don't like seeing the DuckTales stories show up so often though. As I've said in the past, is it really necessary to reprint William Van Horn's material when there's so much that's never been printed in America?

That's all for now; looking forward to the next issue.

—Thad Komorowski
via email

Using exclamation points to end sentences is a comic book convention that flies in the face of proper English usage. It came about in the early days of letter-press-published comics when blemishes in the art were ground off the metal printing plates by hand. Because of this, periods were often mistaken for blemishes and ground off, leaving sentences with no punctuation. Use of the exclamation point evolved to counter this tendency, not to make the dialogue look "punchier." With modern printing techniques, this is no longer a problem and that leaves some of our latter day creators—like Pat and Shelly—free to use a more subtle approach in their scripting.

Just a random reprint suggestion: *The Beagle Boys* 1, 1964, was made up entirely of stories that featured the BBs and Mad Madam Mim. In the first story, "Secret of the Sphinx," Mim gets to use her powers, she saves the guys, she's not made fun of, she's in control of her own agenda. When I first read it at age eight, I was hungry for a female lead in a Disney adventure story, and this was the closest I came to finding one. As a 48-year-old feminist, I still like it. The art is sort of boring, but your great coloring would help pick it up a lot.

—Elaine Ramshaw
via email

Madam Mim is a feature film character and, technically, we don't presently have the rights to publish stories which contain her. Since the Beagle Boys are the title characters in the story, however, it's possible an exception can be made. We'll look into it.

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